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'We stand ready to work with the new President'

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REPORTER

Gov. Arnold I. Palacios says his administration stands ready to work with President-elect Donald J. Trump and is committed to supporting the country's interests.

Palacios

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Last week, Trump literally trumped incumbent Vice President Kamala Harris in the presidential race last Nov. 5.

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High court denies motion for rehearing on lawsuit against cockfighting ban

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The United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit has unanimously decided to deny the request of Andrew Sablan Salas for a rehearing in his suit against the national ban on cockfighting.

Last week, the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit officially issued an order denying appellant Salas' petition for rehearing.

According to the lawsuit, the panel of Ninth Circuit judges unanimously voted to deny Salas' request.

"Judge Milan Smith and Judge Lucy Koh have voted to deny the petition for

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Veterans honored for paying highest price for freedom

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CORRESPONDENT

Dozens of dignitaries and community members filled the American Memorial Park's Court of Honor in Garapan yesterday morning for a special Veterans Day ceremony to honor the heroes who fought to safeguard our homes, families, and freedom.

Gov. Arnold I. Palacios, Lt. Gov. David M. Apatang, who is also a veteran, Saipan Mayor Ramon Blas "RB" Camacho, lawmakers of the 23rd CNMI Legislature, judges, along with the main dignitaries of the event, the veterans and their families, gathered for the special ceremony and the laying of the commemoration wreath, followed by the 21-gun salute, and a U.S. Air Force jet flyover.

CNMI Office of Veterans Affairs acting executive

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CHRYSTAL MARINO

As part of tradition during the Veterans Day commemoration ceremony, veterans as well as island leaders, including Gov. Arnold I. Palacios and Lt. Gov. David M. Apatang, walk up the steps of the Court of Honor yesterday to lay a commemorative wreath at the American Memorial Park in Garapan.

Democratic Party thanks supporters following elections

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REPORTER

The Democratic Party of the Northern Mariana Islands extended its thanks to the CNMI community for practicing their right to vote and thanked all those who supported the IND-DEM coalition.

Yesterday, in a press release from the local Democratic Party, they expressed their gratitude to those who came out to vote and to those who supported the IND-DEMS coalition.

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"The Democratic Party of the Northern Mariana Islands would like to thank the community of registered votes for making their voices heard in the recent elections. We thank the voters for re-electing

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PIALA announces 33rd Annual Conference

The Pacific Islands Association of Libraries, Archives, and Museums is pleased to announce its 33rd Annual Conference will be held from Dec. 2 to 6, 2024, at the Guam Museum in Hagatna, Guam. The 33rd Annual PIALA Conference is co-sponsored by the Department of CHamoru Affairs, Guam Museum, Guam Public Library System, Guam Library Association, University of Guam's Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Library, Guam Cultural Repository, Joeten-Kiyu Public Library, and Northern Marianas Library Association. PIALA is a regional association committed to fostering awareness and encouraging cooperation and resource sharing among libraries, archives, museums, and related institutions of the Pacific Islands.

The conference theme, "Indigenizing Libraries, Archives, and Museums in the Pacific," will bring together professionals and enthusiasts from across the Pacific region to share knowledge, exchange ideas, and explore the latest trends in libraries, archives, and museums.

PIALA's president and chair of this year's conference is a daughter of the Northern Marianas, Erlinda Cabrera Naputi, who is the library director/CNMI state librarian of the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library. Naputi shared, "We humbly invite all of our community to join us to this year's Pacific Islands Association of Libraries, Archives, and Museum Conference to the Guam Museum on the beautiful island of Guam-the largest island of the Marianas! This is a unique opportunity for us to come together as a community, learn from each other, and work towards a common goal of preserving and promoting our Pacific Island heritage. The theme of 'Indigenizing Libraries, Archives, and Museums in the Pacific' is particularly poignant in today's age of globalization and rapid technological advancements. As our island communities continue to evolve and adapt to modernity, it is essential that we do not lose sight of our cultural roots and traditional values. Our libraries, archives, and museums play a crucial role in preserving our heritage and passing it on to future generations. We look forward to seeing you all at the conference and to engaging in meaningful conversations and collaborations that will help us indigenize our libraries, archives, and museums for the benefit of our future generations."

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Joeten-Kiyu Public Library director and CNMI state librarian Erlinda Cabrera Naputi.

Conference highlights:

- Keynote speakers and presentations from leading experts in the field
- Workshops and panel discussions on a wide range of topics
- Networking opportunities with colleagues and peers
- Cultural events and excursions showcasing the unique heritage of Guam

Registration and further information is available on our website https://piala-pacific.wixsite.com/piala-pacific. Please submit all registrations and direct all registration inquiries to PIALA treasurer Jefrey Libao at jlibao@triton.uog.edu

The 33rd Annual PIALA Conference consists of five full days of event-filled activities held on Dec. 2-6, 2024. Pre-conference starts on Monday, Dec. 2, 2024 leading to the general conference from Tuesday, Dec. 3 to Friday, Dec. 6, 2024. We will be expecting close to 100+ attendees from across the Pacific—Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, Hawaii, Republic of Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau, Federated States of Micronesia (Chuuk, Yap, Kosrae, and Pohnpei), New Zealand, Australia, and American Samoa, and the U.S. mainland. PIALA invites librarians, archivists, museum professionals, researchers, educators, students, and anyone interested in the preservation and promotion of cultural heritage to attend this exciting event.

General conference fee is $75 will be held from Dec. 3-6, 2024. Pre-conference fee is an additional $75 and will be held on Monday, Dec. 2, 2024.

We look forward to welcoming you to the 33rd Annual PIALA Conference in Guam!

Sponsorship opportunity

Are you interested in sponsoring the 33rd Annual PIALA Conference? Your consideration of an in-kind contribution or named sponsorship is welcome. Please contact the Northern Marianas Library Association at saipan.nmla2022@gmail.com for more details on how you can help.

PIALA

The Pacific Islands Association of Libraries, Archives, and Museums is a Pacific regional association established in 1991 and formed to address the needs of Pacific librarians, archivists, museum staff and other information professionals, with a special geographic focus on Micronesia.

Meaning "tiny islands," Micronesia comprises some 2,200 little volcanic and coral islands spread throughout 4,500,000 square miles of Pacific Ocean. Lying west of Hawaii, east of the Philippines, south of Japan and north of Australia, the total land mass of all these tropical islands is less than 1,200 square miles with an estimated population of 555,013. The task of organizing a regional association, given this vast geographic setting and the lack of fast, reliable and inexpensive communication makes for many challenges. Hence, PIALA.

The seeds for PIALA were planted during the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Governor's Conference for Libraries and Information Services, held in Saipan in October 1990. hereafter, at another informal meeting held November, 1990 at the Guam Governor's Conference for Libraries and Information Services, plans for an organizational meeting were developed. An organizational meeting was then held at the University of Guam in February, 1991 at which two participants each from the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of Palau, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands, and the Territory of Guam attended.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

The poster of the upcoming Pacific Islands Association of Libraries, Archives, and Museums' 33rd Annual Conference.

PIALA is committed to the development of resource sharing tools and networks among the libraries, archives, museums, and related institutions of the Pacific Islands, development of continuing education programs and experiences, and promoting technology and telecommunications applications throughout the region. Our mission is to enhance the quality of leadership in order to support and strengthen libraries, archives, and museums across the Pacific Islands. Since the inception of PIALA, the membership has grown to 66 individual members from over 35 institutions representing countries and U.S. territories including Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia: Kosrae, Yap, Chuuk, Pohnpei, Palau, Tinian, Rota, Saipan, Guam, Australia, New Zealand, New Caledonia, Japan, Tonga, Fiji, Papua New Guinea, and the United Kingdom.

PIALA regional members comprise the following key associations in the Pacific: Northern Marianas Library Association (NMLA), Chuuk Association of Libraries (CAL), Guam Library Association (GLA), Hawaii Library Association (HLA), Kosrae Library Association (KLA), Libraries, Archives, and Museums of Pohnpei (LAMP), Marshall Islands Library Association (MILA), Palau Association of Libraries (PAL), and Yap State Library Association (YSLA).

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JKPL's Sensory Corner receives national recognition

American Libraries, the voice of the library profession and the flagship magazine of the American Library Association, published a full spread article on the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library-CNMI State Library for their November/December 2024 issue to some 50,000 individuals and organizations worldwide. The article spotlighted Joeten-Kiyu Public Library as the recipient of ALA's Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities grant one year later.

In 2023, Joeten-Kiyu Public Library was competitively awarded a $20,000 from the American Library Association Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities Grant, an American Library Association initiative that provides community engagement and accessibility resources to small and rural libraries to help them better serve people with disabilities. JKPL utilized the funding to transform a portion of the Children of Our Homeland Center (a.k.a. the Children's Library) into a Sensory Corner, which includes sensory equipment, devices, assistive technology, toys, and supplies for children who require assistance for disabilities that may be physical, developmental, behavioral, or emotional. The library officially unveiled the Sensory Corner at its National Library Week proclamation signing event in April 2024.

Library director Erlinda C. Naputi shared her sentiments regarding the feature, "We are incredibly thrilled and honored that the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library's Sensory Corner has been featured in the prestigious *American Libraries* magazine. This national recognition is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our entire library team, who are committed to providing our community with the best possible library services. It is truly amazing how our small library in the western Pacific is making a huge difference in the lives of our community is phenomenal.

The Sensory Corner is a space in our library designed to provide a safe and welcoming environment for individuals with autism and special needs. It is equipped with a variety of sensory tools and resources, such as fidget toys, calming lights, and noise-canceling headphones, and so much more, which can help to reduce stress and anxiety. We are humbled to be able to offer this unique space to our community, and we are grateful to American Libraries magazine for highlighting our efforts. We hope that this recognition will inspire other libraries to consider creating similar spaces for their patrons.

"Thank you to *American Libraries* magazine and to our entire Marianas community for your support. Thank you to the Joeten and Kiyu family, our Gov. Arnold I. Palacios, Lt. Governor David Apatang, Mayor RB Camacho, Commonwealth Library Council, Friends of the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library, Northern Marianas Library Association, our community partners. We look forward to continuing to provide innovative and inclusive library services to everyone," said Naputi.

The full article can be found https://americanlibrariesmagazine.org/2024/11/01/libraries-transforming-communities-one-year-later/.

The Sensory Corner is open during JKPL's hours of operation from 10am to 6pm Tuesday-Thursday, 1:30pm-7pm Friday, and 11am-4pm Saturday and closed on Sundays, Mondays, and holidays. Every Friday night from 5pm to 7pm, JKPL hosts Sensory Night and invites families with children with autism and special needs/disabilities into the Children's Library to enjoy the sensory wonderland envisioned by Team JKPL. For more information about the JKPL's Sensory Corner, contact the Children's Library librarian Celina Foreman at (670) 235-7315.

Please enjoy your public library's free resources by visiting our website at www.cnmilib.org like/follow JKPL's Facebook page @joetenkiyupubliclibrary, Instagram @joetenkiyupubliclibrary, Tik Tok @jkpl670, Twitter @JoetenKiyu, and YouTube: joeten kiyu public library or visit our website www.cnmilib.org to see the progress and programs JKPL has worked so hard to offer for our community. For more information regarding any of our activities, please contact JKPL @670-235-7322/7318.

How can you help assist with our programs?

We welcome and encourage businesses to please consider donating Educational Tax Credit. Pursuant to NMI Public Law 15-120, the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library is able to receive cash contributions under Educational Tax Credit (ETC). Please make checks payable to: CNMI Treasury. For MUNIS payments, to the Friends of the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library MUNIS Vendor ID#100404.

This project was made possible in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services LS-256853-OLS-24.

This project was made possible in part by the USDA Rural Development Community Facilities Grant.

The Joeten-Kiyu Public Library is an equal opportunity provider and employer. ***(PR)***

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Project Package will be available on October 29, 2024, at the NMHC Central Office in Garapan, Saipan, during regular working hours (7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) Monday thru Friday except CNMI holidays. A non-refundable payment of One-Hundred Dollars ($100.00) is required for each set of the project package. Payment must be made payable to NMHC and receipt of payment must be presented when obtaining the project package at the reception counter.

Brief description of the project package is available on the NMHC Website at www.nmhcgov.net "Procurement Tab".

The provisions on the NMHC Procurement regulations, NMIAC 100-60-725 AND 100-60-730 Prohibiting Gratuities, Kickbacks and Contingent Fees shall apply.

A Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the Rota Mayors Office Conference Hall in Tatachog, Rota on November 13, 2024, 10:00 a.m. In addition, a Mandatory site Visit/Inspection of the project site will be conducted immediately after the Pre-Bid Conference. Failure to attend both the Mandatory Pre-bid conference and the Mandatory site Visit/Inspection will be considered a non-responsive bidder.

For more information, contact Mr. Jacob Muna, Office Manager, at (670) 234-9447 or via email at officemanager@nmhcgov.net during business hours, 7:30am – 4:30pm Monday through Friday, except CNMI holidays.

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Pursuant to P.L. 8-41, Section 11, Governor Arnold I. Palacios and Lt. Governor David M. Apatang, through the Health Care Professions Licensing Board (HCPLB), hereby gives notice that it will hold its regular monthly board meeting on Wednesday, November 13, 2024, at 8 a.m. on Saipan. The meeting will be held at the Board of Professional Licensing Conference Room, BPL Building on Capitol Hill.

AGENDA

I. Meeting Call to Order
II. Determination of Quorum
III. Review and Adoption of Agenda
IV. Review and Adoption of Minutes **(10/16/2024)**
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VII. Director's Report
VIII. Investigator's Report
IX. Communications from the Governor's Office & Legislature
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B. Legislature
X. Old Business
XI. New Business
• **Interstate Medical Licensure Compact**
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XIII. Executive Session: The Board may vote to meet in executive session to consult with Counsel on pending or anticipated legal matters.
XIV. Announcements
A. Next Meeting Date
B. Adjournment of Meeting

Free NMC info session on Nov. 16

Northern Marianas College would like to invite all community members looking to further their education to attend NMC's free information session regarding the upcoming Spring 2025 semester on Saturday, Nov. 16, 2024.

The info session will be held at the Olympio T. Borja Memorial Library at NMC's Campus in As Terlaje. Seats are limited on a first-come, first-served basis, with doors opening at 9:30am for registration. The session will cover topics that include financial aid options and the admissions process.

Participants of the info session will qualify to have their application and placement test fees waived for NMC's upcoming Spring 2025 semester, a savings of about $75.

Incoming students who have previously attended any NMC Recruitment event for this year, are eligible to avail of the waiver fee once for the entire year, and do not need to attend this event. NMC offers several degree and certificate programs, including a Bachelor of Science in Education (Concentration in Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, Rehabilitation and Human Services, or Special Education), Bachelor of Science in Business Management (Concentration in Accounting or without Concentration); Associate of Arts in Business, Associate of Applied Science in Business Administration (Emphasis in Accounting, Business Management, or Computer Applications), Associate of Applied Science in Hospitality Management, Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts (Emphasis in Education, Health and Physical Education, Pre-Engineering, Social Work, or without Emphasis), Associate of Science in Nursing, Associate of Science in Agriculture, Associate of Science in Natural Resource Management, Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice, and Associate of Science in Fire Science Technology. The certificate programs at NMC include Basic Law Enforcement, Business Management, Computer Applications, Early Childhood Education, Fire Science Technology, Hospitality Operations, Nursing Assistant, and Small Business Management.

NMC's Spring 2025 semester will begin on Jan. 21, 2025. The deadline to submit a complete application is on Jan. 10, 2025. A list of the classes that are offered can be found at www.marianas.edu. For additional information or inquiries, contact the Office of Admissions and Records at (670) 237-6769/70/72 or email oar@marianas.edu. ***(PR)***

READY

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yesterday, he said his administration stands ready to work with Trump and to maintain open communication with him and the federal government.

"I extend my congratulations to President-Elect Donald Trump on his election as the 47th President of the United States. We stand ready to work with the new President and his team to advance the country's and the CNMI's interests. Additionally, I am committed to maintaining an open line of communication with the President and the federal government to ensure that the Commonwealth's goals and priorities are included in the new administration's agenda," he said.

Palacios said he is committed to supporting the country's interests in ensuring a free and open Indo-Pacific.

"As I've emphasized many times in presentations to members of the United States Congress and in other national forums, the CNMI is committed to supporting the country's interests in ensuring a free and open Indo-Pacific region, a priority that transcends party lines," he said.

Palacios adds that as governor, his utmost priority is the well-being of the Commonwealth.

"As governor, my foremost commitment is to the well-being of our Commonwealth, its economic development, and the improvement of the standard of living of the people of the Northern Mariana Islands."

Palacios says he is hopeful that President-elect Trump's administration will be mutually beneficial for the Commonwealth as well as the United States.

"I am hopeful that the new administration led by President-elect Trump will bring new opportunities to collaborate in identifying and implementing innovative and effective solutions that mutually benefit the United States and the CNMI," he said.

According to *Saipan Tribune* archives, Trump was elected the 47th president of the United States last Wednesday, an extraordinary comeback for a former president who refused to accept defeat four years ago, sparked a violent insurrection at the U.S. Capitol, was convicted of felony charges and survived two assassination attempts.

With a win in Wisconsin, Trump cleared the 270 electoral votes needed to clinch the presidency.

As president, Trump vowed to pursue an agenda centered on dramatically reshaping the federal government and pursuing retribution against his perceived enemies.

Meanwhile, Kimberlyn King-Hinds, who won the U.S. delegate race in the CNMI last week, said she's looking forward to working with the incoming Republican Party majority in the 119th U.S. Congress beginning in January.

"With a Republican majority, there's an opportunity for us to unify around policies that will help uplift our communities. I understand that for some, this outcome brings mixed emotions, and I want to assure everyone that my focus remains on addressing the challenges our people face," she said.

The CNMI Republican Party bet, who won during the CNMI general elections with about 40% of the vote, assured her constituents that she will have the people of the islands' best interest when she begins her two-year term come January 2025. She also promised to work hand in hand with her fellow congressmen and congresswomen along with President-elect Trump.

"Now more than ever, I'm committed to advocating for the CNMI's unique needs within our party's broader goals. I look forward to working with my colleagues and president of the United States in ways that strengthen our region and deliver real support to our community. My job is to bring results to our community regardless of who the president is."

THANKS

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a few of. our incumbents while believing in the IND-DEM coalition that is working for our people and our future every day," said the press release.

Party vice chair Luella Marciano thanked Gov. Arnold I. Palacios, Lt. Gov. David M. Apatang, Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (D-Saipan), and others who made election day a success and showed their support.

"We extend our regards to Gov. Arnold I. Palacios, Lt. Gov. David M. Apatang for their support of our candidates and the IND-DEM coalition on the hill. To our honorable delegate Congressman Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan for his unmatched legacy and invaluable support. To Sen. Celina Babauta for her guidance, and continued fight for our people. To the staff, and commissioners of the Commonwealth Election Office, election volunteers, poll workers, our amazing poll workers, and everyone who made the elections a reality on Saipan, Tinian, Rota, and the Northern Islands, we thank you," she said.

Party treasurer Shawna Indalecio thanked all the party candidates for the opportunity to support them this election season.

"To our incumbents Reps. Ed Propst, Manny Castro, Diego Vincent Camacho, Vicente Camacho, and Denita Yangetmai—you are forever the "Fantastic Five." Thank you for allowing us to do better, and work harder for you. It was an historic year with so much to be thankful for, and we thank you for the opportunity to do what we can to support you. Stay hydrated and motivated for the future. Biba Democrats, Biba IND-DEM coalition, and Biba Marianas!" she said.

Secretary Nasima Uddin thanked all those behind the scenes of the Democratic Party who ensured a smooth campaign season.

"To the DNC for their support, and everyone in our party working behind the scenes. A lot of magic was happening with our legal advisors, fundraising/logistical/operational teams and the miscellaneous legwork. I would like to acknowledge and thank Michael White, Stephen Woodruff, James Cabrera, Peter Muna, John Tomei, Tina Sablan, Leila Staffler, the IND-DEM coalitions, and our members and supporters on Tinian & Rota—we thank you," said Uddin.

Finally, party executive director Nola Hix congratulated all the candidates who ran a great campaign and thanks them for their courage.

"Congratulations to all the candidates who ran a great campaign and to our next delegate Kimberlyn King-Hinds. We would like to thank all of the candidates, for their courage to run for office. Win or lose, it is their willingness to step up to the plate that is admired by all who believe in them, and all who believe in a better future for our beloved Marianas. I would also like to personally thank our party of awesome members on Saipan, Tinian, and Rota, former governor Dr. Carlos Camacho, his wife Winnie, and our supporters for their determination, and positive energy. This election was one for the books—locally and nationally we were running a marathon, and we had so much fun. So much to look forward to and we'll see you all again soon," she said.

Marianas under tropical storm watch

The National Weather Services in Tiyan, Guam has issued a tropical storm watch for all of the Marianas—Guam, Saipan, Tinian, and Rota.

NWS said Tropical Storm Man-yi is moving southwest at 10 mph with winds of 40 mph. The latest forecast from the Joint Typhoon Warning Center showed Man-yi has shifted southward toward Guam and Rota as a tropical storm.

Man-yi remains a small storm and the tropical storm force winds will be felt close to the center. The exact track of Man-yi remains uncertain and parts of the Marianas could see tropical storm force winds while others see much lower winds. Locally heavy rainfall will remain possible for much of the Marianas, especially if a southern storm track verifies. Those in the Marianas should continue to monitor the forecast for updates and additional changes.

Meanwhile, Invest 94W has developed into Tropical Storm 27W north of Yap this evening. TS 27W is moving west-northwest at 18 mph. The effects from 27W have begun to shift away from Yap and the Marianas. The final Special Weather Statement in regards to 27W was sent this afternoon (https://forecast.weather.gov/product.php?issuedby=PQ2...).

As always, the latest forecast can be found on NWS website at https://www.weather.gov/gum/. ***(PR)***

VETERANS

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officer Bernadita B. Dela Cruz shared. "I am honored to be here today to share the love, respect, and to thank our brave men and women of the Armed Forces for all their sacrifices in protecting our freedom that we are now enjoying. Our Commonwealth, our nation, will forever be in debt for their selfless sacrifice and courage. The saying that freedom isn't free is more than just a statement. Our veterans have paid the highest price for this freedom."

She also addressed her plentiful thank you to veterans and their families.

"Thank you for your service in keeping us safe and free. Thank you to everyone present here for taking time to remember our heroes. They never gave up on us and we can't give up on them."

In his address, and on behalf of the CNMI, Palacios added "To our veterans here today and to those who could not be here... Thank you. Your service has forged a legacy of resilience and honor woven deeply into the fabric of our island, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. Your courage, both in times of conflict is an enduring reminder of the values we hold dear, values of freedom, justice, and unity. Sacrifices of time, safety, and family commands our respect and our commitment to remember... always."

Palacios added that a grateful nation and Commonwealth also honor the families of veterans.

A longer version of this story is available at www. saipantribune.com

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rehearing en banc. Judge Richard Paez has recommended that the petition for rehearing on banc be granted. The full court has been advised of the petition for rehearing en banc, and no judge has requested a vote on whether to rehear the matter en banc. The petitions for rehearing and rehearing en banc are denied," said the order.

Last September, the Ninth Circuit affirmed the district court's dismissal of Salas' complaint alleging that the Covenant to Establish a Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Union with the United States of America precludes the application to the CNMI of a federal cockfighting prohibition.

According to the judges' ruling, an agreement establishing the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and its relationship to the United States means that a ban on cockfighting is legal under federal law in the territory, despite a proponent claiming the ban intrudes on residents' right to self-governance.

Salas, at one time a House representative for the Commonwealth, called cockfighting an important cultural and political activity throughout the islands that had been wrongfully prohibited by the Agriculture Improvement Act—signed into law by President Donald Trump in 2018—and goes against the covenant that allows the territory a unique level of self-governance.

Writing for the panel, U.S. Circuit Judge Lucy H. Koh, a Joe Biden appointee, wrote in the ruling that "Congress is not precluded from passing legislation affecting the internal affairs of the CNMI. Rather, a court must 'balance the federal interest to be served by the legislation at issue against the degree of intrusion into the internal affairs of the CNMI.'"

A longer version of this story is available at www. saipantribune.com

Herman's Modern Bakery's 80th Anniversary Family Fun Day

RACQUEL H. FLOYD

Giveaways such as caps, folding chairs, mugs, cup holders, and umbrellas were available at the entrance of Herman's Modern Bakery's Family Fun Day last Saturday at the CPA Airport Field.

RACQUEL H. FLOYD

Free food and drinks were enjoyed by attendees of Herman's Modern Bakery's Family Fun Day last Saturday at the CPA Airport Field.

RACQUEL H. FLOYD

Popcorn was one of the free snacks during Herman's Modern Bakery's Family Fun Day last Saturday at the CPA Airport Field.

RACQUEL H. FLOYD

Guests enjoy their free food and drinks during Herman's Modern Bakery's Family Fun Day last Saturday at the CPA Airport Field.

RACQUEL H. FLOYD

Guests line up for free bottled water during Herman's Modern Bakery's Family Fun Day last Saturday at the CPA Airport Field.

RACQUEL H. FLOYD

Bridge Capital, LLC's dunk booth at Herman's Modern Bakery's Family Fun Day last Saturday at the CPA Airport Field.

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Herman's Modern Bakery president Herman "Junpan" Guerrero, left, and general manager Michael Guerrero pose for a photo.

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Parker Yobei provided musical entertainment during Herman's Modern Bakery's Family Fun Day last Saturday at the CPA Airport Field.

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Herman's Modern Bakery sales and marketing manager Rudy Guerrero, second from left, poses with guests of Herman's Modern Bakery's Family Fun Day last Saturday at the CPA Airport Field.

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Powered wheels by Benki store during Herman's Modern Bakery's Family Fun Day last Saturday at the CPA Airport Field.

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Former Power 99 DJ Santi "Big Boy" Sablan served as the emcee of Herman's Modern Bakery's Family Fun Day last Saturday at the CPA Airport Field.

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Attendees line up for their free food and drinks during Herman's Modern Bakery's Family Fun Day last Saturday at the CPA Airport Field.

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EDITORIAL

Trump, again: Can a second term heal the wounds of the first and the campaign?

Unlike Donald Trump's 2016 victory, which was surprising and shocking (including to him and Hillary Clinton), his sweeping win Tuesday night was there to see when 70% of Americans were telling pollsters that the country was on the wrong track. That's more than enough to derail any train and Kamala Harris was the conductor.

Trump won because he spoke to more people, not in terms of his rally attendance—he said at his late night victory speech that he's held more than 900 rallies since he rode that escalator into the basement of Trump Tower in June 2015—but because he connected more effectively with voter frustration and aspirations. But he spoke with an angry voice, making threats that frightened many. That must end and he should strive to earn some trust from the people he's alienated.

Voter discontent has given Trump a unique opportunity to have another chance. For his sake, and the country's, we hope he avoids the problems he suffered in his first term and uses his prior Oval Office experience to have a successful second term.

Much of that voter angst that Trump rode was that prices went up a lot, the biggest jump in more than 40 years, and everyone suffered from the punishing inflation. And while the high inflation has now been squeezed out by the Fed, the price of staples like a dozen eggs didn't come back to their old level. Neither Harris nor Joe Biden before her were able to counter that dollars and cents reality.

Biden is being blamed for not exiting the race earlier and only having his disastrous debate performance push him out. Had the incumbent president (the only person ever to beat Trump both in the Electoral College and popular vote) bowed out two years ago, the Democrats could have had a competitive nomination contest.

Instead Harris, who flopped badly when she ran for the White House last time around, had to launch this campaign from a standing start in July. Maybe a longer lead up or a different nominee would have changed Tuesday's outcome or maybe not, but it's just a parlor game.

The person who matters now, again, is Trump and he should savor that his second Electoral College win is also his first popular vote win, besting Harris by millions. It is also a healthier outcome to have the outdated Electoral College aligning with the will of the populace. America should still get rid of the Electoral College, but at least the minority president oddity is not being repeated and the word "mandate" is more fitting.

As to Trump's plans, he said a lot of different things, from a new reliance on the old tool of tariffs to some of his

harsher political rhetoric. He should not try to arrest his political foes or use the military domestically. Or put vaccine denier Bobby Kennedy Jr. in charge of vaccine policy or allow Vladimir Putin to do whatever he wants. Or attempt mass deportations of millions.

For the past nine years, Trump said a lot of things that

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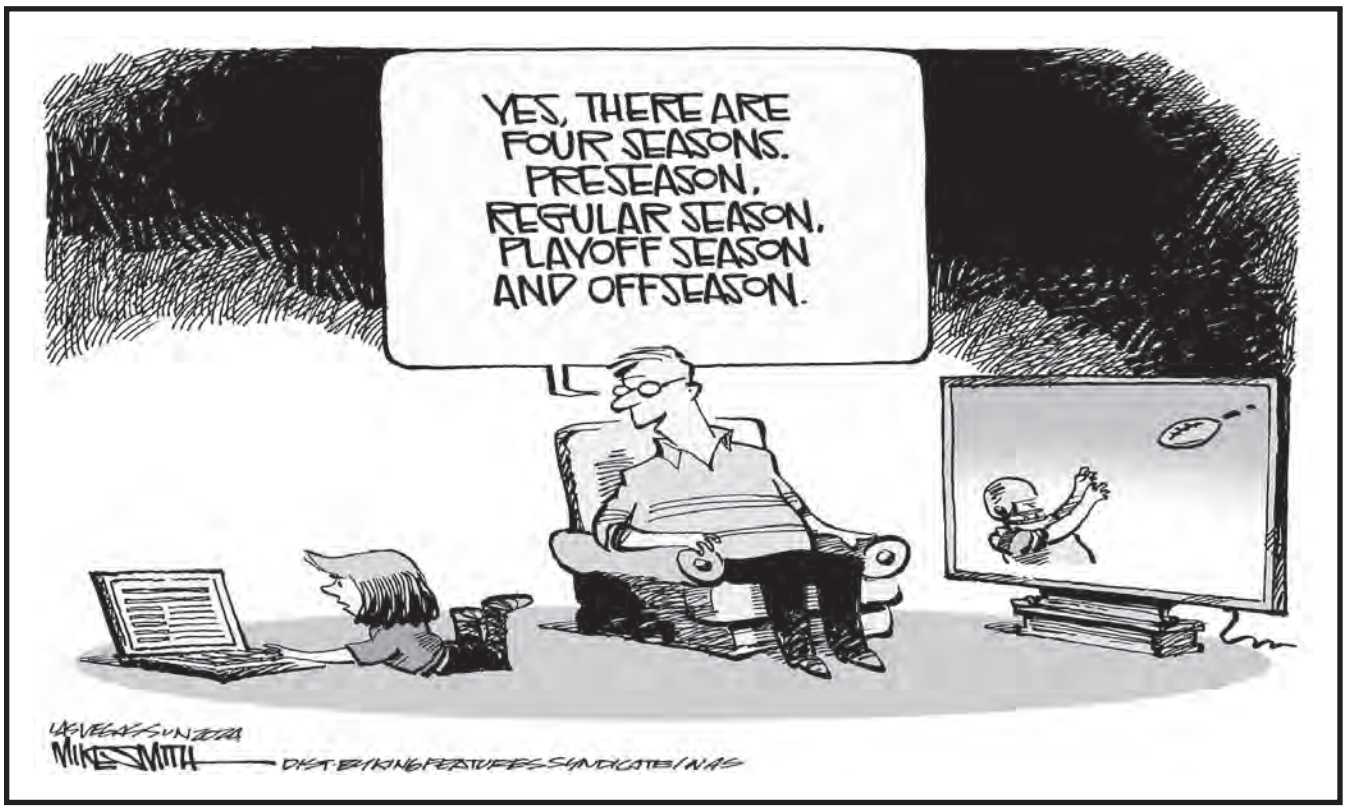
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Elon Musk bought himself a starring role in Trump's second term. What could go wrong?

By VIRGINIA HEFFERNAN
Los Angeles Times

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"A star is born—Elon!" Donald Trump shouted early Wednesday morning, giving thanks to Elon Musk for helping him win the presidential election.

When you're a star, they let you do it, as Trump once said, speaking of mauling women.

Now Trump and Musk, self-styled stars, are a match made in some kind of Book-of-Revelation living nightmare. With Trump's victory, the duo seem to have put themselves safely out of the reach of the law.

Over the last months, as Musk, the richest man in the world, has poured millions into Trump's campaign by way of his America PAC, Trump has promised to bring Musk into government.

In September, Trump said he would create a "government efficiency commission" for Musk to lead. This task force would carry out a complete audit of the finances and performance of the entire federal government, with a view to smashing it to smithereens—that is, "making it more efficient."

"I'd put [Musk] in the Cabinet, absolutely, but I don't know how he could do that with all the things he's got going," Trump also said. "But he could sort of, as the expression goes, consult with the country and give you some very good ideas."

"Very good ideas" that, let's guess, won't exactly hurt Musk's bottom line, which is currently set at more than $285 billion. (In the hours since Trump's victory, Musk gained $20 billion.)

For a person who controls this much private wealth to have a starring role in the U.S. government is to open the door to conflicts of interest so immense that, if Trump didn't already pose such an urgent threat to the survival of the republic, it would be all we'd talk about.

For any other businessman, a chance to serve his country might seem like a good idea. But Musk has held vast governmental power for a long time—and for years has exerted unholy influence over Washington.

To see just a fragment of what Musk might do during a second Trump term, look to the current state of play. NASA and the Pentagon now depend on Musk so profoundly that they could barely survive without SpaceX, which controls U.S. space launches and internet satellites. In 2023 alone, Musk's companies signed $3 billion in contracts with 17 federal agencies, including the departments of State, Energy and Agriculture.

Musk also holds a top secret security clearance, which gives him access to information that could gravely damage national security if disclosed.

And yet Musk has reportedly been conspiring—no other word for it, in my estimation—with the leaders of powers extremely hostile to the United States.

According to the Wall Street Journal, Musk has had secret conversations with Russian President Vladimir Putin since 2022. The conversations reportedly included Putin's request for a favor for Chinese leader Xi Jinping: Musk should avoid turning on his Starlink internet service for Taiwan.

Taiwan, of course, is a United States ally, albeit an unofficial one. China and Russia are officially not. For anyone at any level of government to scheme with adversaries would almost certainly be actionable. NASA administrator Bill Nelson has called for an investigation.

But because this particular schemer is Elon Musk, it's been hands off. Musk is an expansively free man, telling cable TV viewers about taking ketamine and turning Twitter-now-X, which still has around 300 million daily users, into his very own Pravda—a dark MAGA propaganda site so influential that Rolling Stone dubbed Musk and X "the biggest purveyors of online disinformation."

In the early hours of election day, Musk shared a video on X that glorified Jan. 6 and flashed QAnon references. IBM, Disney and Coca-Cola used to advertise on Twitter; on X, you're more likely to see entries from the far-right, pro-Trump Epoch Times, a media organization affiliated with the Falun Gong religious movement.

More than 20 recent federal investigations or reviews have targeted Musk's companies. Some are fueled by concerns about the safety of Tesla cars and environmental damage caused by SpaceX rockets. Tesla has also faced a raft of lawsuits charging racial discrimination and harassment at its plants, union interference and wage theft.

In October, the Washington Post published evidence that Musk, after coming to Palo Alto on a student visa in 1995, overstayed his visa and worked illegally in the U.S. for years. For Musk, who these days echoes Trump's spitting nativist rage about undocumented immigrants, the exposure of this secret could have meant deportation—and even loss of U.S. citizenship.

Today, with Trump's victory, any saber-rattling by federal agencies or immigration watchdogs seems almost laughable. Deportation? Loss of citizenship? Investigations, even?

Sure, for other immigrants who've overstayed a visa. Sure, for Trump's political enemies.

But absolutely not for Musk, mega-American, the brightest star in Trump's ominous firmament.

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Foreign interference is now the norm, and it could fuel more violence under Trump

By COLIN P. CLARKE
Los Angeles Times

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While there have been no credible claims of fraud contributing to Donald Trump's victory on Tuesday, and the vote does not appear to have even been close, the election was marred by foreign interference, a commonplace occurrence in every U.S. election since 2016.

There was a steady stream of disinformation and multiple attempts by Russia to meddle in the electoral process this year. In the lead-up to the election, the Federal Bureau of Investigation singled out Russia as the "most active" foreign threat, noting that Moscow was conducting influence operations with the goal of undermining confidence among Americans in the integrity of our elections.

On election day, bomb threats were conveyed to polling sites in battleground states Georgia, Michigan, Arizona and Wisconsin, with the FBI stating that the hoax threats emanated from Russian email domains. Two polling sites in Georgia had to be temporarily evacuated, and it remains unclear whether this deterred any voters. In early September, an indictment against two RT (formerly Russia Today, a Kremlin propaganda outlet) employees detailed a scheme to funnel $10 million to finance prominent right-wing commentators in the United States, part of a pro-Trump media platform registered in Tennessee.

The Russians also ran an effective "doppelganger" network of websites that mimicked legitimate American news outlets like the Washington Post but published fake news to undermine confidence in elections and increase polarization.

Russia was not the only foreign actor involved, as both China and Iran sought to conduct "hack and leak" operations during and after the elections.

Trump's predilection for praising Russian dictator Vladimir Putin makes it unlikely that he will raise this issue during their future conversations or meetings. In the past, Trump has sided with Putin over the U.S. intelligence community and constantly refers to the "Russia hoax" to downplay past Russian interference in U.S. elections.

With such a passive approach from the federal government, Russian interference in the U.S. political system and American culture is an inevitability. Many are concerned about these and other potential sources of domestic instability, including a surge in far-right violence that could be encouraged by foreign actors or by Trump himself.

It's certainly true that we would have been in a perilous situation if Vice President Kamala Harris had won by a small margin and Trump had called the results "rigged": A few days ago, that looked like the most direct line to political violence in the election's aftermath.

And to be sure, there are counterterrorism analysts who are concerned about a violent reaction by the far left to another Trump presidency. Some on the far left view a second Trump term as an existential crisis and likely will be motivated to take to the streets to protest. Trump has threatened to deploy the U.S. military to quell demonstrators, and if he follows through, that could result in a serious escalation of left-wing violence. Other issues—including access to abortion, climate change and the war in Gaza—also could mobilize some on the left to see their causes as justifying violent resistance.

But another byproduct of four more years of Trump could very well be a rash of incidents such as the country experienced during his first term, when racially and ethnically motivated violent extremists, including neo-Nazis and white supremacists, launched attacks at: the "Unite the Right" rally in Charlottesville, Va., where a woman was killed after being run over with a car; a Pittsburgh synagogue, where violence killed 11 people and injured six more; and a Walmart in El Paso, Texas, where a gunman killed 23 people and injured nearly another two dozen.

The attackers in both the Pittsburgh and El Paso incidents were motivated in part by the "Great Replacement" theory, a white supremacist trope claiming that the ongoing "replacement" of the white, Christian population in the United States is the deliberate strategy of a nefarious cabal. In December 2023, Trump said that undocumented immigrants were "poisoning the blood of our country." As Anne Applebaum has pointed out, Trump has frequently used dehumanizing language such as "vermin," a style and approach that is reminiscent of Hitler, Stalin and Mussolini.

Speaking in mid-October in Arizona, Trump said, "When I win on Nov. 5, the migrant invasion ends and the restoration of our country begins." There's no reason not to take Trump at his word. Just how he intends to end the "invasion" has never been clear. Some Americans, as occurred in Pittsburgh and El Paso, may seek to take matters into their own hands. It is not unrealistic to see a spike in far-right attacks on immigrants, with the perpetrators claiming that they are doing what the president asked, taking back the country from what he called the "enemies within." He could even pardon them from federal charges, as he has said he would pardon the terrorists who attacked the Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021.

As demonstrated by the terrorist attack by a far-right extremist against African Americans at a Buffalo, New York, supermarket in May 2022 or the shooting of three African Americans at a Dollar General store in Jacksonville, Florida, in August 2023, racially motivated violence is not unique to the Trump administration. However, what violent extremists perceive as a tacit nod of approval—based on Trump's own violent rhetoric—could lead to a surge in domestic terrorism in a country that remains anxious, angry and well-armed.

Trump is back; blame Democrats

By NOLAN FINLEY
The Detroit News

Democrats who are reliving their worst nightmare with the pending return of Donald Trump to the White House have only themselves to blame.

Trump should have had no chance to win this election. He left office kicking and screaming at the end of his first term having presided over the Jan. 6 insurrection and with the nation angry and divided. He had been impeached twice. And he was a man disgraced, vilified and hated. But not humbled.

As soon as he flew out of Washington, he began plotting his return. Trump devoted himself to avenging what he saw as a great wrong by reclaiming the office he believed the Washington swamp had stolen from him.

For the next four years, he was the target of a relentless campaign by Democrats to destroy him for good. A barrage of civil suits and criminal charges were lodged against him, timed to come to court at the height of the presidential campaign.

Network evening news coverage of Trump was 85% negative, compared with 78% positive for Harris, according to an analysis of by the conservative Media Research Center.

Still, as improbable as it once seemed, Trump pulled off the most remarkable political comeback in American history. Going into Election Day, 52% of Americans had an unfavorable view of Trump. Yet he won both the electoral vote and likely the popular vote—the first Republican to do so in this century. He also carried with him a new Republican Senate majority.

And he owes the Democratic Party much of the credit.

This election was not as much about Donald Trump as it was Vice President Kamala Harris. Her name should never have been on the ballot.

The Democratic Party power brokers, once they ousted President Joe Biden from the race, so underestimated Donald Trump they believed they could win simply by marketing the underachieving Harris as a next-generation leader with the youth, energy and vision the country craved. They also thought they could paper over the fact she was the No. 2 in an administration that had destroyed household budgets, destabilized the world and enabled a flood of illegal immigration.

Harris would not have prevailed as the nominee in a competitive primary process. Democrats had stronger options, and during the early talk about replacing Biden, her name was well down the list.

And for good reason. She was an uninspiring leader who failed to grab the turkey leg as vice president. She was given an opportunity to take charge of the crisis at the border, and instead she walked away.

The billion-dollar campaign crafted for her centered on shielding Harris from scrutiny. It was late in the game before she began doing interviews, and then largely with friendly outlets. She also steadfastly refused to define herself beyond saying, "I'm not Joe Biden and I'm not Donald Trump." Voters never figured out who she was.

Her vapid answers to tough questions and her stubborn adhesion to platitudes—"I'm from the middle class"—left voters with the perception she lacked depth.

As for Trump, his campaign was hardly masterful. He kept his foot in his mouth much of the time. He rambled and ranted at his rallies for so long he often lost focus. He made scores of unforced errors, including insulting Detroit's comeback while speaking in Detroit. But he asked the same question that carried Ronald Reagan to victory: Are you better off than you were four years ago?

Harris couldn't come up with an answer. But voters did. They said, "Hell no."

She wanted to talk about Trump's many flaws. But his voters had already discounted his negatives. He talked about the things that troubled them—inflation, immigration and crime. And even though the delivery was often crude, the message touched the nation's frustrations and fears.

The theoretical threat to democracy Trump presented didn't play as well as the tangible threat to their quality of life and hope for the future they experienced under Biden and Harris. He summed up his pitch with a solid punch: She broke it, I'll fix it.

Democrats likely would have beaten Trump with a candidate vetted through a competitive primary process and able to credibly claim distance from the failed Biden administration.

Instead, they nominated Kamala Harris. And elected Donald Trump.

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weren't true, including that the election results were rigged in 2020 (they weren't).

Trump was a sore loser in 2020 and he refused to congratulate Biden or attend his successor's inauguration. Biden and Harris won't be as petty and will accord Trump the honor and respect he deserves having won.

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The Weather

5-DAY FORECAST FOR SAIPAN AND TINIAN

TODAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny. East northeast wind 5 to 7 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30%.	Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy. East northeast wind 9 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 18 mph. Chance of precipitation is 40%.	A 30 percent chance of showers. Partly sunny.	A chance of showers. Partly sunny.	Mostly sunny.
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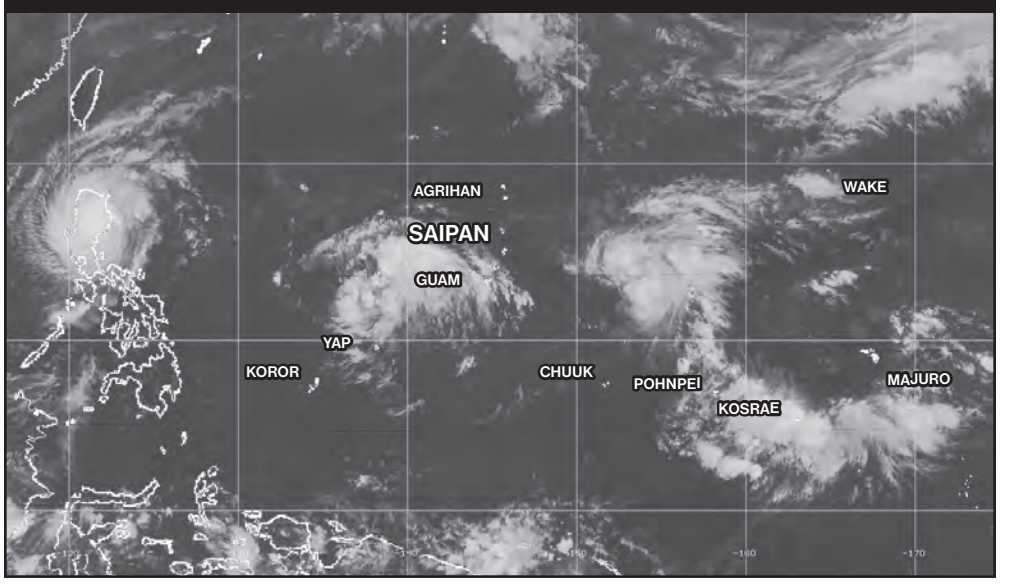

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Satellite image and accompanying information are provided by the National Weather Service. For an updated weather forecast, visit the National Weather Service Guam homepage: https://www.weather.gov/gum/

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Palau	Sunny	84° / 78°
Yap	Partly Cloudy	84° / 80°
Chuuk	Partly Cloudy	87° / 80°
Pohnpei	Mostly Cloudy	86° / 77°
Kosrae	Partly Cloudy	86° / 77°
Majuro	Mostly Cloudy	85° / 80°

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Beijing	Sunny	52° / 28°
Hong Kong	Sunny	84° / 73°
Honolulu	Mostly Sunny	84° / 73°
London	Partly Cloudy	55° / 46°
Los Angeles	Partly Cloudy	70° / 59°
Manila	Thunderstorms	84° / 77°
Melbourne	Cloudy	77° / 52°
Miami	Mostly Sunny	82° / 75°
New York	Mostly Sunny	56° / 39°
Osaka	Sunny	66° / 57°
Paris	Partly Cloudy	52° / 43°
Busan	Sunny	70° / 45°
Rome	Partly Cloudy	63° / 45°
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Saturday	6:19 AM	5:44 PM

DAY	MOONRISE	MOONSET	MOONRISE
Today	-	2:16 AM	2:48 PM
Wednesday	-	3:14 AM	3:30 PM
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Friday	-	5:14 AM	5:02 PM
Saturday	-	6:19 AM	5:55 PM

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SAIPAN- NARITA (NRT)

UA824	1:20PM	4:00PM	1, 3, 5

GUAM-MANILA (MNL)

PR 111	5:55AM	7:55AM	Daily
UA183	7:55PM	9:50PM	Daily
UA193	7:55PM	11:50PM	2, 5 via Palau

SAIPAN-MANILA (MNL)

UA076/183	9:50AM	9:50PM	Daily via Guam
UA076/193	9:50AM	11:50PM	2, 5 via Guam, Palau

SAIPAN-INCHEON (ICN)

TW308	2:30AM	6:25AM	Daily
7C3212	4:35PM	8:25PM	Daily

SAIPAN-HONG KONG (HKG)

HX77	3:05AM	5:55AM	1, 5

ARRIVALS

GUAM (GUM)-SAIPAN

UA174	8:00AM	8:50AM	Daily

NARITA (NRT)-SAIPAN

UA825	5:30PM	10:05PM	2, 4, 7

MANILA (MNL)-GUAM

UA184	00:40AM	6:25AM	3, 6
PR110	10:05PM	3:55AM+1	Daily
UA192	10:40PM	6:30AM+1	2, 5 via Palau
UA184	10:55PM	4:40AM+1	1, 3, 4, 6, 7

MANILA (MNL)-SAIPAN

UA184	00:40AM	8:50AM	3, 6 via Guam
UA192/174	10:40PM	8:50AM+1	2, 5 via Palau, Guam
UA184/174	10:55PM	8:50AM +1	1, 3, 4, 6,7 via Guam
7C2306/3407	11:20PM	3:30PM+1	Daily

INCHEON (ICN)-SAIPAN

7C3211	10:10AM	3:30PM	Daily
TW307	8:00PM	1:30AM+1	Daily

HONG KONG (HKG)-SAIPAN

HX76	6:25PM	1:35AM+1	4, 7

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ROTA TO SAIPAN

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ROTA TO GUAM

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GUAM TO ROTA

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4301	GUAM	ROTA	12:30	13:00	Monday To Friday

SAIPAN TO TINIAN

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1209	SAIPAN	TINIAN	17:00	17:15	Daily

TINIAN TO SAIPAN

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Business

Guam Business Magazine announces its 2024 '40 Under Forty'

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TUMON, Guam—A group of young business professionals was announced as *Guam Business Magazine*'s "40 Under Forty" last Nov. 8. The list recognizes the most innovative and influential businesspeople in Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands under the age of 40.

The group was celebrated at a cocktail event on Nov. 8 at the Hyatt Regency Guam and is also featured in the November-December issue of Guam Business Magazine, and listed at www.guambusinessmagazine.com

The following special recognitions were given at the event:

40 under Forty COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD

■ Kimberly C. Camacho, executive director of the Saipan Chamber of Commerce.

40 Under Forty CONTINUED EXCELLENCE AWARD

■ Jose Untalan, vice president of finance and development and Katrina Untalan, vice president of administration and operations and general manager, both with CU Holdings Inc. Co., which does business as Compadres Mall and TRI Inc.

40 under Forty INDUSTRY INFLUENTIAL AWARD

■ Joe Ayuyu Jr., vice president and owner of McDonald's of Guam & Saipan; Natalie Mable Ayuyu Glenn, vice president, RJ Corp. and RJ Guam LLC; and Ashley Ayuyu, executive assistant to the vice president of McDonald's of Guam & Saipan.

40 under Forty BRAND INNOVATOR AWARD

■ Cameron Atalig, vice president and general manager of Tupu Cane Juice.

40 under Forty ENTREPRENEUR AWARD

■ Remiliza Ilao Oriondo-Cruz, founder, RIO Consultants & Trading.

40 Under Forty MOST PROMISING AWARD

■ Isabella-Rose C. Shimizu, resident manager in Palau for Shimbros International Inc. ***(PR)***

Veterans face challenges starting small businesses but there are plenty of resources to help them

NEW YORK (AP)—Many veterans who've started small businesses tell a similar story: Their military service prepared them mentally for the task, but they were at a disadvantage when it came to the financial part.

"Vetrepreneurs"—veterans that start small businesses or startups—own nearly 2 million small businesses that employ 5.5 million people in the U.S., according to the Small Business Administration. They take in about $1.3 trillion in revenue annually. Their numbers have shrunk, however, as the veteran population has aged. In a 2023 report, the SBA found veteran ownership declined from 11% of businesses in 2014 to 8.1% in 2020.

Veterans enter the business world prepared with skills they gain in the field like leadership and problem-solving. But they haven't had a chance to build up credit or savings that civilians have had more time to do. That can cause problems because banks use that information to approve loans. Not to mention the mental toll it takes to transition from the military life to civilian life.

According to data from business coaching nonprofit SCORE, about a third of veteran businesses have limited access to capital or lack of financing. That compares to a quarter of non-veteran-owned firms.

SCORE CEO Bridget Weston says the good news is that veterans have plenty of places to turn to for help. Those include nonprofit organizations aimed at getting them on their feet and building up financial literacy, veteran-only loans and grants, and contracts earmarked for veteran owned and disabled veteran owned small businesses.

The place that many start is the Small Business Administration, which offers a program to get certified as a veteran-owned or disabled veteran-owned small business, which can make it easier to get certain loans and federal contracts.

That's the route Jackson Dalton decided to take when he started Black Box Safety, a maker of personal protective equipment, in 2017. Dalton enlisted in the U.S. Marines in 2000 and was selected for the prestigious Marine Corps Special Operations. But a badly broken leg, suffered during training, eventually forced him medically retire after two years of active duty.

Although the transition back to civilian life was difficult, Dalton went on to get a master's degree in public health, and spent 10 years working in the health and safety industry. When he ventured out on his own, he decided to focus on federal contracts and got certified by the SBA. He thought prisons would be a good place to start since 3% of their contracts go to disabled veteran businesses. His first contract was selling gloves to a prison in Minnesota. Today, he serves major clients like the Department of Veterans Affairs and the State of California.

Dalton credits his military training with his success.

"The skills and attributes that I picked up in the military were resilience and grit and the ability to adapt, improvise, overcome when you know, when encountering resistance or obstacles and barriers," he said.

Veteran focused nonprofits can be another key place to look for help.

Adam Isch, a Marine Corp. veteran who served two tours in Iraq, worked with nonprofit Warrior Rising in Salt Lake City, to find a mentor to help him start his business, Isch Body Works in Fort Worth, Texas, which sells men's hygiene products. The business donates part of its revenue to charities supporting Texas children in foster care and awaiting adoption. Similar nonprofits include Bunker Labs, Tactical Launch, and others around the country.

"Anybody who wants to start a business, especially a veteran, go find a group like a Warrior Rising, there are all kinds of different groups like that getting mentorship," he said. "There are people who are doing what you do. They're doing what I do, and they love it and they want to talk about it."

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Bank of Guam supports Junior Achievement of Guam as a Pioneer Partner with a $5,000 sponsorship. All Bank of Guam employees pictured are proud mentors and advisors for the JA Guam Company of the Year program. Pictured, from left, are Abigail Uncangco, general ledger manager; Marie Luces, BSA/AML officer I; Danny Daniel, vice president, director of brand and community relations; Danielle Lee, accounting officer I (general ledger); Joshua Miller, executive director, Junior Achievement of Guam; Michael Dedrick Sicat, BSA/AML analyst I; Lesley Leon Guerrero, senior vice president, chief experience officer and JA Guam board member; Marc Pilante, management trainee; and Bryan Paul Taijeron, business development officer, all from Bank of Guam. (Not pictured are advisor Travis Meno, brand and community relation officer I).

HAGÅTÑA, Guam—Bank of Guam is excited to announce its annual partnership with Junior Achievement of Guam.

In celebration of JA Guam's 50th anniversary, Bank of Guam is supporting this year's program as a Pioneer Partner with a $5,000 sponsorship. This contribution will directly support Junior Achievement events for the 2024-2025 school year, including JA Guam's flagship Company of the Year program for high school students.

Junior Achievement is the world's largest non-profit organization dedicated to educating students about work readiness, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy through experiential, hands-on skills programs. For five decades, JA Guam has equipped young minds with invaluable skills, helping students develop a foundation to build brighter futures for themselves and the community.

"As The People's Bank, we've always been committed to supporting small businesses and providing them with the tools to succeed financially. Our partnership with JA Guam is an extension of our founder's vision, allowing us to make a meaningful impact on the lives of our youth," said BOG president and chief executive officer Joaquin P. L.G. Cook.

"Beyond our sponsorship is the hours of mentorship our team is dedicating to support and empower our students. We are excited to be part of a program that uplifts and fuels the entrepreneurial spirit and creativity of our youth. We also extend our congratulations and continued support to Joshua Miller on his new role as executive director and look forward to his continued energy and leadership," said BOG senior vice president and chief experience officer Lesley Leon Guerrero.

She is also a board member of Junior Achievement of Guam.

Bank of Guam is currently mentoring and advising a group of students for the Company of the Year program. ***(PR)***

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TRUMP ON DAY 1:

Begin deportation push, pardon Jan. 6 rioters, make his criminal cases vanish

WASHINGTON (AP)—Donald Trump has said he wouldn't be a dictator—"except for Day 1." According to his own statements, he's got a lot to do on that first day in the White House.

His list includes starting up the mass deportation of migrants, rolling back Biden administration policies on education, reshaping the federal government by firing potentially thousands of federal employees he believes are secretly working against him, and pardoning people who were arrested for their role in the riot at the Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021.

"I want to close the border, and I want to drill, drill, drill," he said of his Day 1 plans.

When he took office in 2017, he had a long list, too, including immediately renegotiating trade deals, deporting migrants and putting in place measures to root out government corruption. Those things didn't happen all at once.

How many executive orders in the first week? "There will be tens of them. I can assure you of that," Trump's national press secretary, Karoline Leavitt, told Fox News on Sunday.

Here's a look at what Trump has said he will do in his second term and whether he can do it the moment he steps into the White House:

AP

Republican presidential nominee former President Donald Trump listens to Paul Perez, president of the National Border Patrol Council, as he tours the southern border with Mexico, on Aug. 22, 2024, in Sierra Vista, Ariz.

Make most of his criminal cases go away, at least the federal ones

Trump has said that "within two seconds" of taking office that he would fire Jack Smith, the special counsel who has been prosecuting two federal cases against him. Smith is already evaluating how to wind down the cases because of long-standing Justice Department policy that says sitting presidents cannot be prosecuted.

Smith charged Trump last year with plotting to overturn the results of the 2020 presidential election and illegally hoarding classified documents at his Mar-a-Lago estate in Florida.

Trump cannot pardon himself when it comes to his state conviction in New York in a hush money case, but he could seek to leverage his status as president-elect in an effort to set aside or expunge his felony conviction and stave off a potential prison sentence.

A case in Georgia, where Trump was charged with election interference, will likely be the only criminal case left standing. It would probably be put on hold until at least 2029, at the end of his presidential term. The Georgia prosecutor on the case just won reelection.

Pardon supporters who attacked the Capitol

More than 1,500 people have been charged since a mob of Trump supporters spun up by the outgoing president attacked the Capitol almost nearly four years ago.

Trump launched his general election campaign in March by not merely trying to rewrite the history of that riot, but positioning the violent siege and failed attempt to overturn the 2020 election as a cornerstone of his bid to return to the White House. As part of that, he called the rioters "unbelievable patriots" and promised to help them "the first day we get into office."

As president, Trump can pardon anyone convicted in federal court, District of Columbia Superior Court or in a military court-martial. He can stop the continued prosecution of rioters by telling his attorney general to stand down.

"I am inclined to pardon many of them," Trump said on his social media platform in March when announcing the promise. "I can't say for every single one, because a couple of them, probably they got out of control."

Dismantle the 'deep state' of government workers

Trump could begin the process of stripping tens of thousands of career employees of their civil service protections, so they could be more easily fired.

He wants to do two things: drastically reduce the federal workforce, which he has long said is an unnecessary drain, and to "totally obliterate the deep state"—perceived enemies who, he believes, are hiding in government jobs.

Within the government, there are hundreds of politically appointed professionals who come and go with administrations. There also are tens of thousands of "career" officials, who work under Democratic and Republican presidents. They are considered apolitical workers whose expertise and experience help keep the government functioning, particularly through transitions.

Trump wants the ability to convert some of those career people into political jobs, making them easier to dismiss and replace with loyalists. He would try to accomplish that by reviving a 2020 executive order known as "Schedule F." The idea behind the order was to strip job protections from federal workers and create a new class of political employees. It could affect roughly 50,000 of 2.2 million civilian federal employees.

Democratic President Joe Biden rescinded the order when he took office in January 2021. But Congress failed to pass a bill protecting federal employees. The Office of Personnel Management, the federal government's chief human resources agency, finalized a rule last spring against reclassifying workers, so Trump might have to spend months—or even years—unwinding it.

Trump has said he has a particular focus on "corrupt bureaucrats who have weaponized our justice system" and "corrupt actors in our national security and intelligence apparatus."

Beyond the firings, Trump wants to crack down on government officials who leak to reporters. He also wants to require that federal employees pass a new civil service test.

Impose tariffs on imported goods, especially those from China

Trump promised throughout the campaign to impose tariffs on imported goods, particularly those from China. He argued that such import taxes would keep manufacturing jobs in the United States, shrink the federal deficit and help lower food prices. He also cast them as central to his national security agenda.

"Tariffs are the greatest thing ever invented," Trump said during a September rally in Flint, Michigan.

The size of his pledged tariffs varied. He proposed at least a 10% across-the-board tariff on imported goods, a 60% import tax on goods from China and a 25% tariff on all goods from Mexico—if not more.

Trump would likely not need Congress to impose these tariffs, as was clear in 2018, when he imposed them on steel and aluminum imports without going through lawmakers by citing Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962. That law, according to the Congressional Research Service, gives a president the power to adjust tariffs on imports that could affect U.S. national security, an argument Trump has made.

"We're being invaded by Mexico," Trump said at a rally in North Carolina this month. Speaking about the new president of Mexico, Claudia Sheinbaum, Trump said: "I'm going to inform her on Day 1 or sooner that if they don't stop this onslaught of criminals and drugs coming into our country, I'm going to immediately impose a 25% tariff on everything they send into the United States of America."

Roll back protections for transgender students

Trump said during the campaign that he would roll back Biden administration action seeking to protect transgender students from discrimination in schools on the first day of his new administration.

Opposition to transgender rights was central to the Trump campaign's closing argument. His campaign ran an ad in the final days of the race against Vice President Kamala Harris in which a narrator said: "Kamala is for they/them. President Trump is for you."

The Biden administration announced new Title IX protections in April that made clear treating transgender students differently from their classmates is discrimination. Trump responded by saying he would roll back those changes, pledging to do some on the first day of his new administration and specifically noting he has the power to act without Congress.

"We're going to end it on Day 1," Trump said in May. "Don't forget, that was done as an order from the president. That came down as an executive order. And we're going to change it—on Day 1 it's going to be changed."

It is unlikely Trump will stop there.

Speaking at a Wisconsin rally in June, Trump said "on Day 1" he would "sign a new executive order" that would cut federal money for any school "pushing critical race theory, transgender insanity and other inappropriate racial, sexual or political content onto the lives of our children."

Trump hasn't said how he would try to cut schools' federal money, and any widespread rollback would require action from Congress.

Drill, drill, drill

Trump is looking to reverse climate policies aimed at reducing planet-warming greenhouse gas emissions.

With an executive order on Day 1, he can roll back environmental protections, halt wind projects, scuttle the Biden administration's targets that encourage the switch to electric cars and abolish standards for companies to become more environmentally friendly.

He has pledged to increase production of U.S. fossil fuels, promising to "drill, drill, drill," when he gets into office on Day 1 and seeking to open the Arctic wilderness to oil drilling, which he claims would lower energy costs.

Settle the war between Russia and Ukraine

Trump has repeatedly said he could settle the war between Russia and Ukraine in one day.

When asked to respond to the claim, Russia's U.N. ambassador, Vassily Nebenzia, said "the Ukrainian crisis cannot be solved in one day."

Leavitt, the Trump press secretary, told Fox News after Trump on Wednesday was declared the winner of the election that he would now be able to "negotiate a peace deal between Russia and Ukraine." She later said, "It includes, on Day 1, bringing Ukraine and Russia to the negotiating table to end this war."

Russia invaded Ukraine nearly three years ago. Trump, who makes no secret of his admiration for Russian President Vladimir Putin, has criticized the Biden administration for giving money to Ukraine to fight the war.

At a CNN town hall in May 2023, Trump said: "They're dying, Russians and Ukrainians. I want them to stop dying. And I'll have that done—I'll have that done in 24 hours." He said that would happen after he met with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy and Putin.

Life & Style

‘Venom: The Last Dance’ tops box office again

NEW YORK (AP)—“Venom: The Last Dance” has been no blockbuster in North American theaters. But in a lethargic fall moviegoing season, even a so-so performing superhero sequel can rule the box office for three straight weeks.

For the third weekend in a row, “Venom: The Last Dance” was the No. 1 movie at the box office, collecting $16.2 million in ticket sales in U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to studio estimates Sunday. It fended off a pair of new challengers in the Hugh Grant horror thriller “Heretic” and the feel-good holiday movie “The Best Christmas Pageant Ever.”

» ‘Heretic’ and Hugh Grant debut with $11M

AP

This image released by Sony Pictures shows a scene from “Venom: The Last Dance.”

With the election on Tuesday, the major studios opted not to put any new releases into theaters. That allowed Sony Pictures’ “Venom: The Last Dance,” the third entry in the Tom Hardy-led franchise, to hold its position.

While “The Last Dance” hasn’t been a huge hit domestically—opening below expectations in late October — it has thrived overseas, grossing almost triple what it has in North America. The “Venom” sequel has grossed $279.4 million internationally, bringing its global total to $394.2 million.

“Heretic” and “The Best Christmas Pageant Ever” were neck and neck for second place. Counting only Friday-Sunday ticket sales, the edge went to “Heretic,” which debuted with $11 million. “The Best Christmas Pageant Ever,” though, factored in $2.2 million in sneak-peak screenings from last weekend to claim a reported opening gross of $11.1 million.

A24’s “Heretic,” directed by Scott Beck and Bryan Woods, follows two Mormon missionaries (Sophie Thatcher and Chloe East) who knock on the door of a man (Grant) they’ll regret trying to evangelize to. Though “Heretic” has been critically acclaimed for the darkest turn yet by Grant, audiences were less impressed, giving it a “C+” CinemaScore. Regardless, with a budget under $10 million, “Heretic” will easily turn a profit.

“The Best Christmas Pageant Ever,” released by Lionsgate and Kingdom Story Company, which specializes in Christian entertainment, is about six siblings with a bad reputation who take over the local church pageant. The film, an adaptation of Barbara Robinson’s 1972 children’s book directed by Dallas Jenkins, did well with audiences, who gave it a “A” CinemaScore. It, too, was modestly budgeted at about $10 million.

In its seventh week of release, Universal and DreamWorks Animation’s “The Wild Robot” continues to show little rust in theaters. It landed in fourth place with $6.6 million, bringing its domestic haul to $130.2 million and its worldwide gross to $292 million.

Sean Baker’s acclaimed “Anora,” starring Mikey Madison as a Brooklyn sex worker, expanded into wide release. The Neon film, an expected best-picture contender, collected $2.4 million in 1,104 theaters. Its four-week total stands at $7.2 million.

The papal thriller “Conclave,” starring Ralph Fiennes, continues to perform exceptionally well for an adult-oriented drama. The Focus Features release, in its third weekend of release, added 487 theaters and dipped a modest 19% to earn $4.1 million. It has collected $21.5 million. Similarly, A24’s “We Live in Time,” starring Andrew Garfield and Florence Pugh, has stayed strong, grossing $2.2 million in its fifth weekend for a $21.8 million total.

Taylor Swift wins big and Rita Ora pays tribute to Liam Payne at the MTV EMAs

MANCHESTER, England (AP)—Taylor Swift came out on top at the 2024 MTV EMAs on Sunday, walking away with best artist, best U.S. act, best live act and best video for “Fortnight” (featuring Post Malone).

Swift, who is finishing up her Eras tour on the other side of the Atlantic, thanked the fans for the bounty of prizes via video message.

The U.K. show opened with an acrobatic Benson Boone suspended in the air on a gold grand piano performing his viral hit “Beautiful Things” and latest release “Slow it Down.” Boone also accepted his first EMA for best new act.

South African newcomer Tyla gave Swift a run for her money picking up three awards for best afrobeats, best R&B and best African act.

Tyla performed her smash hit “Water” for the EMA audience at the Co-op Live, Manchester, flanked by a host of dancers, as well as singing energetic new track “Push 2 Start.”

British singer Rita Ora, who hosted the show for a record third time, paid tribute to former One Direction star Liam Payne, who died last month after falling from a balcony in Buenos Aires.

Ora had a close relationship with the singer and the pair recorded a song together in 2018, “For You (Fifty Shades Freed).” She addressed the audience saying, “I want to take a moment to remember someone. Liam Payne was one of the kindest people I knew.” Her voice broke as she asked the crowd to take a moment to remember Liam saying, “He had the biggest heart and he left such a mark on this world.”

Quincy Jones laid to rest at private family funeral in Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Music giant Quincy Jones was laid to rest in a private ceremony in Los Angeles, a week after his death at age 91. A larger, more public memorial is also being planned.

The family of the 28-time Grammy winning producer, arranger and composer said in a statement to The Associated Press that the “intimate ceremony included Mr. Jones’ seven children, his brother, two sisters, and immediate family members.”

The family did not reveal the cemetery where the ceremony took place. They added that they remain “enormously grateful for the outpouring of condolences and tributes from his friends and fans from around the world. Details for a memorial celebration of Mr. Jones’ life will be announced at a later date.”

Jones died surrounded by his family at his home in the Bel Air section of Los Angeles on Nov. 3.

His seven decades of musical mastery included producing Michael Jackson’s “Thriller” album, writing prize-winning film scores and collaborating on classic recordings with Frank Sinatra, Ray Charles and hundreds of others.

Tributes to him after his death came from some of the biggest figures in media and politics. “Saturday Night Live,” which he once hosted, paid tribute to him a night before his service with a memorial photo in a quiet moment of the show.

In lieu of flowers, Jones’ family asks for donations to the Jazz Foundation of America.

Relationship born in rehab must endure long-distance

DEAR ABBY: I got out of rehab two months ago. While I was there, I met someone. “Annie” lives in Florida, and I live in California. We both are doing great, and I believe we make each other stronger.

Do you think a long-distance relationship can work? I hear it’s not possible. She has recently divorced, and so have I. Annie has two children, 15 and 16, and for this reason, she can’t leave Florida. I have two kids as well, 11 and 16, and can’t leave my state for the same reason. But our kids will go to college in a few years, and I really care for her.

I know how hard it is to find someone. Over the last three years, I’ve dated 20 women. None of them is anyone I would like to be in a relationship with. Annie is perfect for me. I said we should take it one day at a time. She has flown out here twice to see me, and I’m going to fly to see her next. I know this relationship has its challenges. People tell me that anything is possible and that I should see where it takes us.

HOPEFUL IN THE DESERT

DEAR HOPEFUL: In three years, Annie’s younger child will be 18. Will her children be off to college? It will be seven years before your younger child is considered an adult. Would Annie be able to move to California when she’s no longer bound by a custody agreement?

I happen to agree with the folks who tell you that anything is possible. It is the truth—as long as you and Annie are prepared for a long-distance relationship in the coming years. You both have your sobriety that needs to be maintained, children who need support and relationships with exes that may or may not be problematic. For the foreseeable future, you and Annie should agree to keep your options open and not rule out dating others. If you are meant to be together, it will happen.

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DEAR ABBY: My wife and I have been married 30 years. Over the last couple of years, a male friend of ours (also married) has taken an interest in my wife. He obviously finds her attractive, as most men do, but I’m trying to figure out what his intentions are.

He comments to me about her and her body, so if he’s trying to hide his crush on her, he’s not doing a very good job. I know my wife finds him attractive too, although when I mention his name, she shrugs it off and says they’re just friends. He has a lovely wife and appears to be a devoted husband and father to his grown children.

I know my wife loves me, but his frequent comments are causing me concern. I don’t always show my wife the attention she deserves, so should I step up my game to avoid someone else doing it? Should I be worried that this man’s intentions are more than “just friendly” and speak up?

DEAR ABBY
BY ABIGAIL VAN BUREN
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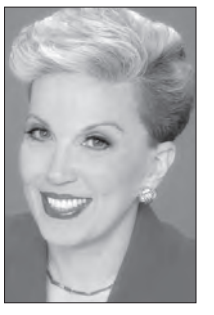

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SUSPICIOUS IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR SUSPICIOUS: You have the right to tell this friend his comments about your wife’s body are inappropriate and you want them stopped. You also have the right to become a more attentive husband. I’m sure your wife would appreciate it. I do NOT think it is necessary to ask this man if his “intentions are more than just friendly.” You weren’t born yesterday, and you already know the answer is yes.

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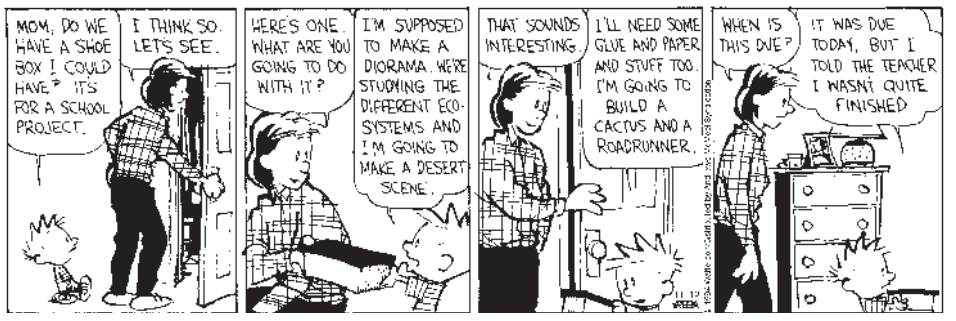
Calvin and Hobbes

By Bill Waterson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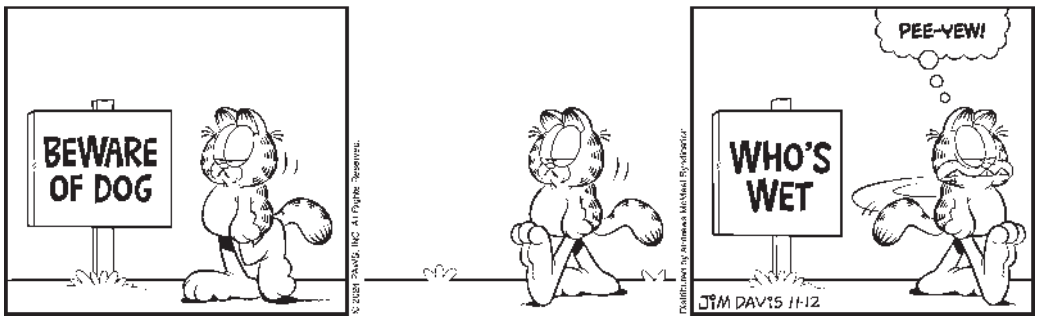
I THINK SO. LET'S SEE.
HERE'S ONE. WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH IT?
I'M SUPPOSED TO MAKE A DIORAMA. WE'RE STUDYING THE DIFFERENT ECO-SYSTEMS AND I'M GOING TO MAKE A DESERT SCENE.
THAT SOUNDS INTERESTING.
I'LL NEED SOME GLUE AND PAPER AND STUFF TOO. I'M GOING TO BUILD A CACTUS AND A ROADRUNNER.
WHEN IS THIS DUE?
IT WAS DUE TODAY, BUT I TOLD THE TEACHER I WASN'T QUITE FINISHED

Garfield®

By Jim Davis



Adam@home

By Bryan Basset

WHAT'S WRONG?
I GOT A NEW GIG WRITING FOR MR. BLOCK. HE SECOND-GUESSES EVERYTHING I DO.
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HE PREFERS "DOUBLE-CHECKS" TO "SECOND-GUESSES"
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The Duplex

By Glenn McCoy

THERE'S THAT GUY PUTTING UP HIS 40-FOOT-TALL GIANT INFLATABLE SANTA CLAUS.
YEAH, HE ALWAYS PUTS UP GIANT INFLATABLE THINGS FOR WHATEVER SEASON IT IS.
I KNOW. I'M ALREADY DREADING 'PROSTATE-HEALTH MONTH.'

CROSSWORD

By Eugene Sheffer

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29 Cry of pain
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35 "Friends" role
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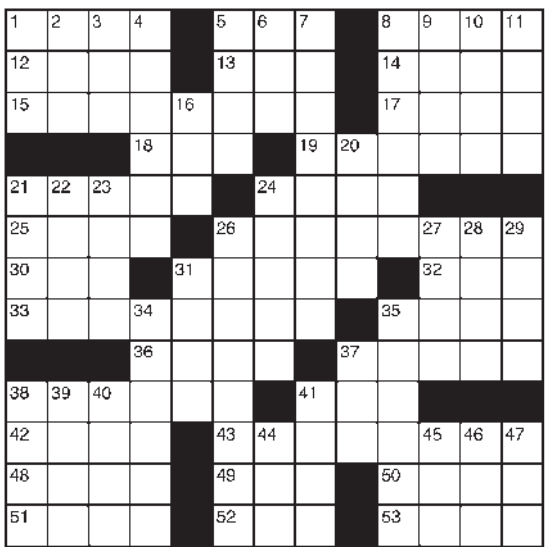

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Happy Birthday: Expand your knowledge and interests. Engage in life and express your will through your actions. Exploit what you love to do most and turn it into a viable means to implement security and stability into your life. Stop talking and start doing, and before you know it, you'll be heading in a direction that brings you joy, satisfaction and peace of mind. Take responsibility for your happiness. Your numbers are 2, 10, 18, 27, 33, 41, 47.

ARIES *(March 21-April 19):* Share your thoughts, engage in learning and put your energy into something meaningful. Follow your gut and reach out to experts or authority figures who can help you put essentials in place and prepare you for a successful transfer from one direction to another. Sign up for something informative. ✪✪✪

TAURUS *(April 20-May 20):* Change what you don't like. Complaining will add to your aggravation, but doing an about-face and heading in a direction that makes you feel good about your actions will do wonders for your soul. Concentrate on personal growth, gain and happiness, and let go of what holds you back. ✪✪✪

GEMINI *(May 21-June 20):* Develop opportunities instead of letting someone else step in and take over. The way to the front of the line is to take a leadership position and offer a sound plan moving forward. Communicate precisely and move forward with enthusiasm. A financial or personal gain is apparent. ✪✪✪✪

CANCER *(June 21-July 22):* Take a stance; don't be afraid to do things differently. Refuse to let uncertainty slow you down. Sticking to a budget and timeline will make the difference between success and failure. Trust and believe in your capabilities, and you'll gain support. Don't jeopardize your health or reputation. ✪✪

LEO *(July 23-Aug. 22):* Sign up for something interesting. The connections you make will help you parlay your expertise or something you want to pursue into something tangible. Speak passionately, and you will command an audience's attention and contributions that help you gain momentum. Refuse to let the changes others make dismantle your plans. ✪✪✪✪✪

VIRGO *(Aug. 23-Sept. 22):* Listen to your inner voice and head in the direction that offers opportunity. Aim for stability and distance yourself from anyone who may disrupt your plans. Choose to do the legwork yourself to avoid additional costs or setbacks. Get an explicit breakdown of events before starting something new. ✪✪✪

LIBRA *(Sept. 23-Oct. 22):* Gather information, enlighten yourself in every way imaginable and voice your opinion and plans to those who may have something to contribute. Don't jeopardize your health or physical well-being. Question what others suggest you do and take the road that offers stability and progress. ✪✪✪

SCORPIO *(Oct. 23-Nov. 21):* Mix socializing with business. How you relate to others will determine how well you do. A change of attitude, adopting an upbeat approach and following through with your promises will lead to success. If you are fun to be with, everyone will rally around to accommodate your needs. ✪✪✪

SAGITTARIUS *(Nov. 22-Dec. 21):* Refuse to defer to someone trying to dictate what you can and cannot do. It's best to follow your heart and take a leadership position. Whether dealing with a domestic or professional situation, showing strength along with your beliefs and plans will weed out anyone trying to interfere. ✪✪✪✪✪

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CAPRICORN *(Dec. 22-Jan. 19):* Communication will help you find your tribe. Align yourself with someone who shares your enthusiasm and will go the distance alongside you. Refrain from letting emotions interfere with your decisions or the outcome. You're wasting your time if you must force someone to agree with you. ✪✪

AQUARIUS *(Jan. 20-Feb. 18):* Ask, and you shall receive. Don't hold back if you want to bring about positive change. An energetic, organized plan will draw attention. Let your imagination lead the way, and your dialogue will impact people who share your beliefs. It's time to join forces and get things done. ✪✪✪✪

PISCES *(Feb. 19-March 20):* Protect your reputation. Be realistic, honest and ready to set the record straight if anyone offers false information. An exaggerated situation will spin out of control if you fuel the fire. Show discipline and live up to your promises. The goal is to earn respect and maintain dignity. ✪✪✪

Birthday Baby: You are aware, helpful and reliable. You are persevering and generous.

✪: Avoid conflicts; work behind the scenes. ✪✪: You can accomplish, but don't rely on others. ✪✪✪: Focus and you'll reach your goals. ✪✪✪✪: Aim high; start new projects. ✪✪✪✪✪: Nothing can stop you; go for gold.

SUDOKU

Conceptis Sudoku *By Dave Green*

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Difficulty: ★★ 11/12

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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Saturday.

Yesterday's Answer

7	6	3	1	2	4	5	9	8
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6	3	9	4	1	2	8	7	5
4	8	6	2	7	5	9	1	3
9	2	5	3	4	1	7	8	6
3	7	1	9	6	8	4	5	2

Difficulty: ★ 11/11

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WONDERWORD

By DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backward. Find them, circle each letter of the word and strike it off the list. The leftover letters spell the WONDERWORD.

GETTING A PH.D. Solution: 7 letters

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Yesterday's Answer: Warranty

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Blocked field goal vs. Broncos allows Chiefs to remain undefeated

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — The Chiefs blocked Broncos kicker Wil Lutz's 35-yard field goal attempt as time expired on Sunday, and Kansas City escaped with a 16-14 victory over the Broncos to extend its winning streak to 15 games dating to last season.

The Chiefs had taken the lead on Harrison Butker's field goal with 5:57 remaining, but Bo Nix and the Broncos converted on a trio of third downs while marching right back down field. They proceeded to set up Lutz for the winner, but Leo Chenal was given credit for coming up the middle amid a big push by the Kansas City defensive line to get his hand on the kick.

Patrick Mahomes finished with 266 yards passing and a touchdown for Kansas City, which became only the fifth team to follow up a Super Bowl triumph by winning its first nine games. That also matches the best start to a season in franchise history.

The Chiefs' winning streak dating to last season is the longest in the NFL since the Packers won 19 in a row from 2010-11.

Travis Kelce had eight catches for 64 yards and a touchdown for Kansas City. DeAndre Hopkins caught four passes for 56 yards, and Kareem Hunt was held to 35 yards rushing but also caught seven passes for 65 yards.

Nix finished with 215 yards passing and two touchdowns for the Broncos (5-5). Courtland Sutton had six catches for 60 yards and a score, and his 13-yard reception on third-and-6 with 1:45 left gave Denver a chance to kick as time expired.

AP

Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes smiles following an NFL football game against the Denver Broncos Sunday, Nov. 10, 2024, in Kansas City, Mo.

PANTHERS 20, GIANTS 17, OT

MUNICH (AP)—Eddy Pineiro kicked a 36-yard field goal in overtime and Carolina made back-to-back wins for the first time this season, beating New York in Germany.

The Giants (2-8) won the coin toss to start overtime, but rookie running back Tyrone Tracy fumbled on the first play from scrimmage and Josey Jewell recovered at the 23 for the Panthers (3-7).

The Giants rallied from a 17-7 deficit in the fourth quarter and forced overtime on Graham Gano's 42-yard field goal with 5 seconds remaining.

Gano, who earlier missed from 43 yards, was playing for the first time since September after a hamstring injury.

VIKINGS 12, JAGUARS 7

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP)—Minnesota's stingy defense held Jacksonville to 143 yards—the fewest in coach Doug Pederson's three seasons—and the Vikings overcame Sam Darnold's three interceptions to beat the Jaguars.

It was Darnold's first three-interception game in three years. All of them came while targeting All-Pro receiver Justin Jefferson, who finished with five catches for 48 yards.

The Vikings (7-2) trailed most of the day, but took the lead on the third of John Parker Romo's four field goals. Romo hit from 29, 34, 33 and 45 yards in his NFL debut.

The Jaguars (2-8) had a chance late thanks to Travon Walker's sack on a third-and-1 play. Coach Kevin O'Connell had Darnold passing with roughly three minutes to go, a head-scratcher given Jacksonville had been so lethargic on offense.

BILLS 30, COLTS 20

INDIANAPOLIS (AP)—Taron Johnson returned Joe Flacco's first pass 23 yards for a touchdown Sunday, and Josh Allen and James Cook each scored on TD runs to lead AFC East-leading Buffalo past Indianapolis.

The Bills (8-2) extended their winning streak to five with their first victory at Indianapolis since 1998. Allen was 22 of 37 for 280 yards with two interceptions while running eight times for 50 yards. Cook had 19 carries for 80 yards.

Flacco had four turnovers—three interceptions and a fumble—in his second start since replacing the benched Anthony Richardson. He was 26 of 35 for 272 yards and two TDs as the Colts (4-6) lost their third straight.

Jonathan Taylor rushed 21 times for 114 yards and rookie receiver Adonai Mitchell had his biggest game of the season with six catches for 71 yards.

It was an odd game, full of twists, turns and turnovers.

PATRIOTS 19, BEARS 3

CHICAGO (AP)—Drake Maye got the better of Caleb Williams in a matchup between top rookie quarterbacks and New England beat struggling Chicago.

Maye led five scoring drives and the Patriots sacked Williams a season-high nine times, helping New England (3-7) come away with the win after losing seven of eight.

As if losing at Washington on a Hail Mary pass by Jayden Daniels two weeks ago and then falling flat at Arizona last week wasn't enough, things took another bad turn for the Bears (4-5).

They managed just 142 yards and were 1 of 14 on third downs facing a team that came in tied with six others for the worst record in the NFL. It got so bad that fans started calling for coach Matt Eberflus' dismissal in the closing minutes, chanting "Fire 'Flus!"

Maye didn't exactly light it up. The No. 3 overall draft pick was 15 of 25 for 184 yards with a touchdown and an interception.

STEELERS 28, COMMANDERS 27

LANDOVER, Md. (AP)—Russell Wilson shook off his first interception in 11 months and hit trade-deadline pickup Mike Williams for a 32-yard touchdown with less than 2 1/2 minutes left in the fourth quarter—the quarterback's third scoring throw—to lift Pittsburgh to a comeback victory over Jayden Daniels and Washington.

Coming off a bye, the AFC North-leading Steelers (7-2) won their fourth game in a row, including all three since Wilson took over from Justin Fields as the starting QB. Wilson's stats were not the prettiest, but he got the job done: 14 for 28 for 195 yards, the three TDs and the one pick.

George Pickens delivered an acrobatic catch in the end zone on a 16-yarder in the first quarter, and tight end Pat Freiermuth scored on a pass from 3 yards out in the second, much to the delight of the thousands of Terrible Towel-twirling Steelers fans in the stands.

Washington (7-3) led 24-14 but couldn't hold on as it attempted to get to 8-2 overall for the first time since 1986 and 5-0 at home for the first time since 1991, when the team went on to win the Super Bowl under coach Joe Gibbs.

SAINTS 20, FALCONS 17

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—Marquez Valdes-Scantling caught three passes for 109 yards and two touchdowns in his second game for New Orleans, and the Saints began Darren Rizzi's tenure as interim coach by snapping a seven-game skid with a victory over the Falcons.

The 54-year-old Rizzi, the Saints' special teams coordinator, was given his first head coaching opportunity on Monday after the firing of third-year coach Dennis Allen.

His triumphant debut came not only against the NFC South's first-place team, but the Saints' oldest regional rival.

49ERS 23, BUCCANEERS 20

TAMPA, Fla. (AP)—Jake Moody redeemed himself after missing three earlier field goals by booting a 44-yarder as time expired to give San Francisco a victory over Tampa Bay in running back Christian McCaffrey's season debut.

Moody, in his first game back after being sidelined three weeks with a sprained ankle, also kicked field goals of 28 and 33 yards for the defending NFC champion 49ers (5-4), who have won consecutive games for the first time this season.

But the usually reliable kicker, who was 13 of 14 entering Sunday, also missed wide left from 49 and 50 yards before missing wide right on a 44-yard attempt that would have given San Francisco a six-point lead with 3:09 remaining.

TV cameras caught 49ers wide receiver Deebo Samuel exchanging words and appearing to shove long snapper Taybor Pepper when the wide receiver approached Moody on the sideline after the third miss.

CHARGERS 27, TITANS 17

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP)—Justin Herbert threw for a touchdown and ran for one as Los Angeles won their third straight game, pulling away in the second half to beat Tennessee.

The Chargers (6-3) have won four of five and are the fourth team since 1990 and the first since the 2013 Kansas City Chiefs to allow 20 or fewer points in each of their first nine games.

The Titans (2-7) came in with the NFL's top-ranked defense overall and against the pass but forced Los Angeles to go three-and-out only twice in nine possessions.

Calvin Ridley scored both of Tennessee's touchdowns and had five catches for 84 yards. Will Levis, who missed the last three games with a shoulder injury, was 18 of 23 for 175 yards but was sacked seven times.

CARDINALS 31, JETS 6

GLENDALE, Ariz. (AP)—Kyler Murray threw for 266 yards and a touchdown and also ran for two scores and Arizona won their fourth straight game by racing to a big lead and easily handling New York.

The Cardinals (6-4) scored touchdowns on four of their first five drives and never trailed.

Murray completed 22 of 24 passes—including a franchise-record 17 in a row during one stretch—spreading the ball around to James Conner, Trey McBride, Marvin Harrison Jr. and Michael Wilson. The Cardinals quarterback also ran for 21 yards.

Conner had five catches for 80 yards. Harrison caught the sixth touchdown pass of his rookie season. The Cardinals' defense didn't allow a touchdown for the third straight home game.

EAGLES 34, COWBOYS 6

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP)—Jalen Hurts threw two touchdown passes and ran for a pair of scores, and Philadelphia rolled to a victory over the bumbling Cowboys in the first game since Dallas quarterback Dak Prescott tore a hamstring.

Hurts shook off two sacks from Micah Parsons in the star pass rusher's return from injury, connecting with Dallas Goedert for one of the TDs after his tight end missed three games with a hamstring issue.

The Eagles (7-2) took over first place in the NFC East with their fifth consecutive victory while defending division champion Dallas (3-6) fell to 0-4 at home in a fourth straight loss overall.

Cooper Rush didn't look anything like the replacement who went 4-1 filling in for Prescott two years ago, going 13 of 23 for just 45 yards. Rush won the first four games in that 2022 stretch before throwing three interceptions in a loss at the Eagles.

Picks weren't the problem this time. Just about everything else was.

LIONS 26, TEXANS 23

HOUSTON (AP)—Jake Bates made a 52-yard field goal as time expired, and Detroit overcame a career-high five interceptions by Jared Goff to rally for a win over Houston.

The Lions improved to 8-1 for the first time since 1954 with their seventh straight victory overall and fifth in a row on the road.

Detroit trailed 23-7 at halftime after Goff threw three interceptions in the first two quarters, and he threw two more picks in the third quarter. Nonetheless, the Lions scored 16 straight points to tie it with about five minutes to go on Bates' 58-yard field goal.

The Texans (6-4) had a chance to take the lead with just under two minutes left, but Ka'imi Fairbairn's 58-yard try was wide left.

Heat edge Timberwolves, 95-94, on Jovic's layup-and-1

MINNEAPOLIS (AP)—Nikola Jovic made the tying layup and go-ahead foul shot with 7.8 seconds left to send the Miami Heat past the Minnesota Timberwolves 95-94 and stop their three-game losing streak on Sunday night.

Jovic, who had 15 points and seven rebounds in his first game off the bench this season, drove to the rim with four-time NBA Defensive Player of the Year Rudy Gobert subbed out. Jovic went to the line to give the Heat their first lead since 63-61.

Mike Conley's 3-point attempt at the buzzer was short and finished another harried possession by the Timberwolves, whose three-game winning streak ended. Jaden McDaniels gave them the lead with a putback of Conley's miss with nine seconds left.

Tyler Herro had 26 points for the Heat, who played without star Jimmy Butler.

Anthony Edwards scored 22 points on 8-for-24 shooting for the Wolves, who trailed by 12 points after a 3-for-15 start from 3-point range. They closed the gap to 52-51 at the break with their only solid stretch on offense.

Overcoming 23 turnovers with 14 steals and nine blocks, all season highs, the Heat made Minnesota's offense just as much of a mess as theirs. Jaime Jaquez Jr. (illness) returned from a three-game absence.

Twenty turnovers and rough shooting was stemmed a bit by a season-best 16 offensive rebounds, six by Gobert.

Naz Reid, who went 4 for 7 from deep, hit a 3-pointer late in the third quarter to put the Timberwolves up 64-63 for their first lead since 10-9. That came midway through a 15-0 run.

Herro set a career best with his 39th consecutive game, including the playoffs, with double-digit points. The streak started on Jan. 8.

AP

Miami Heat forward Nikola Jovic (5) goes to the basket past Minnesota Timberwolves forward Julius Randle, left, in the first quarter of an NBA basketball game Sunday, Nov. 10, 2024, in Minneapolis.

ROCKETS 101, PISTONS 99

DETROIT (AP)—Alperen Sengun scored five of his 27 points in the final 2:28 to lead the Houston Rockets to a 101-99 victory over the Detroit Pistons on Sunday.

Trailing 101-99 with six seconds left, Pistons' guard Cade Cunningham intentionally missed a free throw and Jaden Ivey got the offensive rebound. His shot missed, but Tobias Harris was fouled on the rebound.

With a chance to tie the game with one second to go, Harris missed the first free throw. He intentionally missed the second, but Ivey fell out of bounds trying to secure the rebound.

Sengun added 10 rebounds, and Tari Eason scored 10 of his 18 points in the fourth quarter.

Cunningham had 26 points, nine assists and eight rebounds, falling just short of becoming the first Pistons player to record four straight triple-doubles.

CELTICS 113, BUCKS 107

MILWAUKEE (AP)—Jayson Tatum had 31 points, 12 rebounds and six assists and Boston rallied in the second half to beat slumping Milwaukee.

Tatum put the Celtics ahead for good by hitting two free throws with 5:51 left as Boston erased a nine-point halftime deficit.

Giannis Antetokounmpo scored a season-high 43 points for the Bucks, who have lost eight of nine. Antetokounmpo also had 13 rebounds and five assists.

Payton Pritchard added 18, Jrue Holiday and Derrick White had 15 each and Jaylen Brown scored 14 for the Celtics. Brown returned after missing four games with a hip injury.

Bobby Portis scored 15 for Milwaukee.

PACERS 132, KNICKS 121

INDIANAPOLIS (AP)—Bennedict Mathurin scored a career-high 38 points, including a career-best seven 3-pointers, and Tyrese Halliburton added 35 points and 14 assists to lead Indiana to a victory over New York.

Myles Turner finished with 26 points for the Pacers, who drained a season-high 21 3-pointers and outscored New York 63-21 from beyond the arc. Indiana went 8 of 13 on 3s in the fourth quarter, while the Knicks suffered through a 7 of 25 effort for the game.

Jalen Brunson had 33 points, 10 assists and six rebounds for the Knicks while Karl-Anthony Towns finished with 30 points and nine boards. New York led 61-58 at halftime and 94-92 entering the fourth quarter.

MAGIC 121, WIZARDS 94

ORLANDO (AP)—Franz Wagner had 23 points and seven assists, Goga Bitadze added 10 points and 12 rebounds and Orlando pulled away in the second half to a win over Washington.

Mo Wagner (16), Cole Anthony (16) and Anthony Black (12) came off the bench with double-digit scoring, and Jett Howard hit all three of his 3-point shots for the Magic.

Jordan Poole led the Wizards with 24 points, and Bilal Coulibaly added 20 points, six rebounds, six assists and three blocks in Washington's fourth straight loss. Rookie Alexandre Sarr finished with 11 points, three rebounds and two blocks in 25 minutes.

76ERS 107, HORNETS 105, OT

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Jared McCain had a career-high 27 points as Philadelphia snapped a five-game losing streak with an overtime win over Charlotte.

The Sixers first-round draft pick out of Duke had 23 points in the second half and overtime was 9 for 15 from the floor.

Guerschon Yabusele finished with his career high of 20 points for Philadelphia (2-7), which has yet to win a game in regulation. Paul George added 15 points and nine assists, but did not play any of the overtime period after tallying 33 minutes in his fourth game back from a bone bruise.

Lamelo Ball finished with 38 points in the losing effort for Charlotte (4-6). Ball hit a fadeaway 3-pointer with eight seconds left in the 4th quarter to send the game to overtime. Brandon Miller had 22 points while Grant Williams added 17.

WARRIORS 127, THUNDER 116

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—Stephen Curry scored 36 points, and Golden State Warriors held off a late rally to defeat Oklahoma City.

It was a double whammy for the Thunder as forward Chet Holmgren didn't return after suffering a right hip injury in the first quarter. The injury put a damper on a matchup between two of the top teams in the Western Conference.

Jonathan Kuminga scored 20 points, De'Anthony Melton had 19 points and 10 rebounds and Andrew Wiggins added 18 points for the Warriors.

Golden State led by 30 late in the third quarter before the Thunder stormed back. A steal and dunk by Alex Caruso cut Golden State's lead to six with 4:46 left before the Warriors regained control.

Shai Gilgeous-Alexander scored 24 points and Jalen Williams added 20 for the Thunder, who suffered their first home loss of the season.

GRIZZLIES 134, TRAIL BLAZERS 118

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Jaren Jackson Jr. had 20 points and seven rebounds, and the Memphis Grizzlies routed the Portland Trail Blazers 134-89 on Sunday night.

Jake LaRavia added 18 points off the bench for the Grizzlies, who led by as many as 45 points and has won five of their last six games.

Jerami Grant scored 20 points for Portland, which has lost three straight.

Memphis was missing Ja Morant, who is day-to-day with an injured right hip, and Marcus Smart and Desmond Bane.

The Grizzlies jumped out to a 31-17 lead after the first quarter and led by as many as 25 in the first half.

It was the first meeting between Memphis' rookie Zach Edey and Portland's Donovan Clingan since the 2024 NCAA championship game when Clingan and UConn defeated Edey's Purdue.

Clingan finished with 13 points and Edey had 12.

KINGS 127, SUNS 118

PHOENIX (AP)—DeMar DeRozan scored the Kings' first eight points in overtime and Sacramento snapped the Phoenix Suns' winning streak at seven with a 127-118 win Sunday night.

The Suns played without Kevin Durant, who was injured Friday and will miss at least two weeks.

DeRozan finished with 34 points.

The Suns led through the fourth quarter until Keegan Murray tipped in his own missed shot with 3.9 seconds to play to give Sacramento a one-point lead. But Murray committed a foul on the Suns' inbounds play, and Devin Booker made a free throw to tie the game at 111. Booker missed a shot from the corner that would have won it.

Domantas Sabonis recorded his ninth consecutive double-double for the Kings with 20 points and 12 rebounds before fouling out in overtime.

Murray had 14 points and 13 rebounds while De'Aaron Fox put up 21 points and 11 rebounds. Kevin Huerter, who also fouled out in the extra period, had 17 points for Sacramento.

Bradley Beal led Phoenix (8-2) with 28 points. Booker had 23 points and 12 assists, and Tyus Jones finished with 22 points.

Suns center Jusuf Nurkic was questionable for Sunday's game with left ankle soreness. He started and played 15 minutes, grabbing seven rebounds before being ruled out at halftime.

LAKERS 123, RAPTORS 103

LOS ANGELES (AP)—LeBron James recorded his second straight triple-double, and Anthony Davis scored 22 points before leaving with an eye injury in the third quarter of the Los Angeles Lakers ' 123-103 victory over the Toronto Raptors on Sunday night.

Davis was hit in the face by Jakob Poeltl's off hand while he blocked the Toronto center's dunk attempt with 5:16 left in the third quarter. The nine-time All-Star, who began the night leading the NBA in scoring, was ruled out after he went to the locker room.

James had 19 points, a season-high 16 assists and 10 rebounds in his third triple-double already this season and the 115th of his matchless 22-year career.

Austin Reaves scored 27 points for the Lakers, who improved to 5-0 at home. Los Angeles also beat Toronto for the second time in nine days.

Chris Boucher and RJ Barrett scored 18 points apiece for the Raptors, who have lost four straight and eight of nine.

Bronny James played the final 1:40.

NUGGETS 122, MAVERICKS 120

DENVER (AP)—Michael Porter Jr. hit a mid-range jumper with seven seconds left and the Denver Nuggets won their fifth straight, 122-120 over the Dallas Mavericks on Sunday night.

Nikola Jokic had 37 points, 18 rebounds and 15 assists for his fourth straight triple-double and his NBA-best sixth this season. Jamal Murray had 18 points and Porter finished with 17.

Kyrie Irving had a season-high 43 points for Dallas. Luka Doncic added 24 points and Daniel Gafford had 16.

Trailing by three going into the final period, Dallas got three 3-pointers in a row from Irving to take a 105-102 lead with 8:46 left to play. The teams kept trading shots to keep it close the rest of the way. Irving's bank shot gave Dallas a 120-118 lead with 1:39 left but Jokic then had a tying tip-in and ahead of Porter's winning shot. Irving missed a 3-point try at the buzzer.

Down by 10 midway through the first quarter, Dallas outscored Denver by nine points in the second period and led 63-60 at halftime.

Reds honor Pete Rose with a 14-hour visitation at Great American Ball Park

CINCINNATI (AP)—Thousands of fans streamed into Great American Ball Park despite steady rain on Sunday to pay respects to Pete Rose, baseball's career hits leader, who died Sept. 30 at the age of 83.

The 14-hour visitation, in honor of Rose's jersey number, was arranged by the Cincinnati Reds with cooperation from Rose's daughters, Fawn and Kara, who exchanged hugs, stories and even some tears with fans.

"We wanted to do something like this," said Rick Walls, executive director of the Reds Hall of Fame. "You could see from the turnout, it means a lot to the people here. It's a moving experience."

Rose, known as Charlie Hustle for his unbridled passion for the game, was the engine behind Cincinnati's Big Red Machine clubs that won back-to-back World Series titles in 1975 and '76.

A 17-time All-Star, the switch-hitting Rose played on three World Series winners. He was the National League MVP in 1973 and World Series MVP two years later. He holds the major league record for games played (3,562) and plate appearances (15,890). But no milestone approached his 4,256 hits, breaking his hero Ty Cobb's 4,191.

Rose agreed to a permanent ban from Major League Baseball in 1989 following an investigation by MLB that determined he bet on Reds games from 1985-87 while playing for and managing the team. Two years later, the Hall of Fame barred players on the permanent ineligible list from the Hall ballot.

Despite his indiscretions away from the diamond, fans arrived as early as 4 a.m. Sunday to honor Rose, slowly passing by an urn containing his ashes and a table displaying his bright red Reds Hall of Fame induction suit jacket and other memorabilia while a highlight video of his illustrious career played on the concourse video boards.

AP

Baseball fans line up to pay their respects to Cincinnati Reds legend Pete Rose during a public visitation, Sunday, Nov. 10, 2024, at Great American Ball Park in Cincinnati.

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Trading Co. in Puerto Rico and back.

This time, Run Saipan not only awarded the Top 3 men and women, but also had awards for veterans and armed forces categories.

United Airlines pilot James Munnis, who served in the military for over 30 years in the U.S. Navy, Navy Reserve, and Air National Guard, ran into first place in the Veteran Category men's division with a time of 21:19.

Second place was Jason Pixley, who served in the U.S. Navy, with his time of 24:22, while third place was Matthew Furan, a veteran of the U.S. Marines, who clocked in at 25:02.

No women veterans joined the race.

As for the Armed Forces Category, in the men's division, Guam Army National Guard Donovan Brennan was first with his time of 23:01. U.S. Army Reserve member Terence Leung was right behind at 23:06, and third was Daryll De Luna, also from the U.S. Army Reserve.

In the Armed Forces Category women's division, Hanoul Sky Lee, a U.S. Army reservist, was first with her time of 28:59. Jamerie Paras, another U.S. Army reservist, was second at 32:02, and third was Angela Muna, a U.S. Army reservist, at 32:47.

The men's open category saw high school runners sweep the Top 3. First place was Saipan International School speedster Victor Nash Santos at 18:46. Takeru Jim of Marianas High School was second at 19:18, and third was SIS' Landon Tafligner 20:38.

In the women's open category, Akiko Miller sprinted into first at 22:07; Krista Hawley was second at 24:38; and third was Addalee Taflinger at 24:42.

For Munnis, he said of the event, "It's great to support. I like to support active duty members and get people interested in joining the military because there's so few that do it nowadays. Back when I joined, it wasn't a big deal. My brother was also in the Air Force…"

As for the course, he said, "I like this course because it's mostly flat, but I'm looking forward to going the other way when they finish the road in the next couple of years…"

For Brennan, he said he joined the event to support the veterans, but also to see how much he could push himself.

With his first place win, he said, "It always feels good to win, but today was just about showing support to our veterans."

As for the course and conditions, he said, "It was a perfect morning for a run! Thankful for another beautiful day."

The event, he said, was great to try and get "veterans, current military personnel, their families, and the community to come out and get more active. Running and working out is a great stress reliever and really clears your mind."

He then gave thanks and said, "I would like to thank the man above for blessing us all with another day. Thanks to Ed [Dela Cruz] and the whole Run Saipan crew for this event. Shout out to my wife for supporting me in everything I do. But most of all, thank you to our veterans. Happy Veterans Day!"

Dela Cruz, who is a veteran himself, said, "Thank you to all our veterans for their service. This event was in honor of you and everything you have done for our country. Thank you to our running community coming out in force to honor our veterans today. Run Saipan is proud to be kicking off Veterans Day with a run honoring our heroes."

"Thank you to Northern Marianas Athletics, Department of Public Safety, Saipan International School, Project Buddy Check, NMI News Service, *Marianas Variety, Saipan Tribune,* Marianas Health, Life in the Sun, and CHCC. As always appreciate the officials, volunteers, and support staff for another successful event," he added. He also thanked Rep. Thomas John Manglona, Lao Zhang, Norman Tanghal, and James Sablan.

He then added, "Run Saipan and Northern Marianas Athletics has kicked off National Diabetes Month and joined the health coalition of Marianas Health, CHCC, Life in the Sun, Diocese of Chalan Kanoa, Pickleball federation, the Northern Marianas College in running events all month long in the combat against non-communicable diseases such as diabetes. Next up is the Health Walk, pickleball and running clinic, Diocese of Chalan Kanoa 5K, and Turkey Trot."

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give it (dedication) to myself."

Togawa, who started playing golf in 2003 when she first arrived on Saipan, said it's such a blessing to play the sport.

"Golfing on Saipan is great with beautiful scenery and it's also great to be able to play golf with other members."

Sae Hee Kim came in second with a net 74 (43-41, 84) beating Sherlyn Jones (45-44, 89) and Rose Rohringer (50-44, 94) via scorecard tiebreak.

A total of nine CWGA members took part in the November competition and they are the following with their scores in parenthesis—Sonny Son (78), Janet Torres (80), Lorraine Babauta (81), Doll Yamagishi (81), and Terry Guerrero (87).

The club continues to look for new members as the new season continues. For those interested in becoming a member of CWGA or for more information, contact CWGA president Yuko Togawa at (670) 287-9856, vice president Lorraine Babauta at (670) 287-0621, or treasurer Lou Kim at (670) 783-7317.

RAMON

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choppy, crumbling, not barreling, and not so clean. We had a bit of rain at the start but then the weather cleared up."

As for the competition, the Inaugural Boogie Down at Obyan 2022 champion said, "was spectacular. The GBI organizers know how to throw a great event—live streams, big TV screens to show spectators a close-up view of the action. Cool stuff."

The highlights for him in the tourney was the "warmth, hospitality, and good vibes from the surfing community in Guam. Great people."

With over 20 years of experience boogie boarding, he said he didn't prepare much for this competition. He said it was "mostly a regular routine throughout the years by going bodyboarding after work on weekends whenever I can."

He then gave a big shout out to the Marianas Surf Skate League crew, the Guahan Bodyboarding Inc. guys. "They all know who they are. My teammates [Vicente] Te' Villagomez, Herman Mau Guerrero, Ed Manibusan, and Dave Cabrera, and especially to our families and friends back in Saipan for all their love and support for making this old guy keep doing what I love doing in the ocean."

With Ramon in the competition was 2023 Boogie Down at Obyan champion Vicente "Te" Villagomez and Herman "Mä" Guerrero.

They competed in the men's open division. Guerrero rode the waves into the quarterfinals, but fell short of advancing with a score of 6.17. Meanwhile, Villagomez didn't make it past round 1 after he scored a 3.67.

The Ripper Classic also had a women's open division and a drop knee category where the surfers must keep one knee on the bodyboard while surfing.

TRIBUNE SPORTS SCORES

NBA STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	9	2	.818	–
New York	4	5	.444	4
Brooklyn	4	6	.400	4½
Philadelphia	2	7	.222	6
Toronto	2	9	.182	7
Southeast Division				
Orlando	5	6	.455	–
Miami	4	5	.444	–
Charlotte	4	6	.400	½
Atlanta	4	7	.364	1
Washington	2	6	.250	1½
Central Division				
Cleveland	11	0	1.000	–
Indiana	5	5	.500	5½
Chicago	4	6	.400	6½
Detroit	4	7	.364	7
Milwaukee	2	8	.200	8½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Memphis	7	4	.636	–
Houston	6	4	.600	½
Dallas	5	5	.500	1½
San Antonio	4	6	.400	2½
New Orleans	3	7	.300	3½
Northwest Division				
Oklahoma City	8	2	.800	–
Denver	7	3	.700	1
Minnesota	6	4	.600	2
Portland	3	8	.273	5½
Utah	2	7	.222	5½
Pacific Division				
Phoenix	8	2	.800	–
Golden State	8	2	.800	–
L.A. Lakers	6	4	.600	2
L.A. Clippers	6	4	.600	2
Sacramento	6	4	.600	2

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NFL STANDINGS

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Buffalo	8	2	0	.800	290	193
N.Y. Jets	3	7	0	.300	177	214
New England	3	7	0	.300	160	220
Miami	2	6	0	.250	124	187
South						
Houston	6	4	0	.600	224	226
Indianapolis	4	6	0	.400	208	223
Tennessee	2	7	0	.222	157	240
Jacksonville	2	8	0	.200	202	264
North						
Pittsburgh	7	2	0	.778	215	146
Baltimore	7	3	0	.700	318	253
Cincinnati	4	6	0	.400	270	262
Cleveland	2	7	0	.222	148	213
West						
Kansas City	9	0	0	1.000	219	161
L.A. Chargers	6	3	0	.667	186	118
Denver	5	5	0	.500	197	177
Las Vegas	2	7	0	.222	168	251

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	7	2	0	.778	233	161
Washington	7	3	0	.700	290	217
Dallas	3	6	0	.333	177	259
N.Y. Giants	2	8	0	.200	156	222
South						
Atlanta	6	4	0	.600	238	236
Tampa Bay	4	6	0	.400	279	266
Carolina	3	7	0	.300	167	310
New Orleans	3	7	0	.300	227	246
North						
Detroit	8	1	0	.889	284	171
Minnesota	7	2	0	.778	221	157
Green Bay	6	3	0	.667	230	194
Chicago	4	5	0	.444	175	167
West						
Arizona	6	4	0	.600	238	220
San Francisco	5	4	0	.556	233	202
L.A. Rams	4	4	0	.500	170	194
Seattle	4	5	0	.444	210	221

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Munnis, Brennan, Lee top Veterans Day 5K

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Participants of the Run Saipan's 2nd Annual Veterans Day 5K poses for a group photo at the start/finish line at the former Hyatt Regency Saipan Club Elan parking lot yesterday.

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A total of 114 runners—50 of which were armed forces members and veterans gathered together to celebrate Veterans Day with an early morning 5K yesterday.

Run Saipan's 2nd Annual Veterans Day 5K course spanned from the former Hyatt Regency Saipan Club Elan parking lot, to the Pacific

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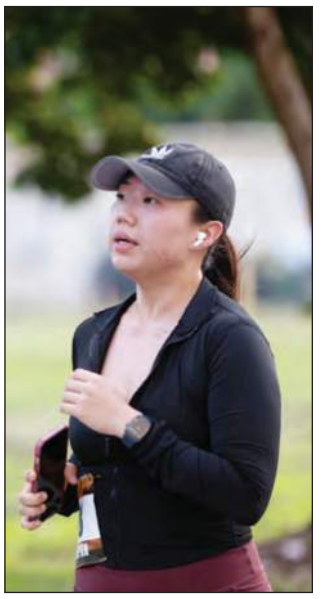
LAO ZHANG

First place in the Veterans category, James Munnis, runs toward the finish line at the former Hyatt Regency Club Elan during the Run Saipan's 2nd Annual Veteran's Day 5K course yesterday.

LAO ZHANG

First place in the men's Armed Forces category, Don Brennan, runs into the finish line at the former Hyatt Regency Club Elan parking lot during the Run Saipan's 2nd Annual Veteran's Day 5K yesterday.



LAO ZHANG

First place in the women's Armed Forces category, Hanoul Sky Lee, runs into the finish line at the former Hyatt Regency Club Elan parking lot during the Run Saipan's 2nd Annual Veteran's Day 5K course

Yuko finally wins one

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Back in the pink of health, CNMI Women's Golf Association president Yuko Togawa finally hit paydirt by winning the November CWGA Tournament held last Saturday at the Coral Ocean Resort in Agingan.

The Kamakura, Kanagawa Prefecture in Japan native shot a net score of 72 following a superb 40-41 in the back and front nine. The 9-handicapper had a gross of 81.

Togawa said the victory was made even sweeter considering she hasn't held a golf club the past three months due to injury.

"I was unable to play golf for three months this year due to back pain, but I'm happy to finally be able to play golf again and take part in tournaments."

As for her best hole of the day, Togawa said it was the par-3 hole No. 7 where she chipped in for birdie. As for her lousiest hole, she said it was none other than holes No. 17 and 18.

"There I just lost my concentration and shot a double bogey and bogey."

CWGA

CNMI Women's Golf Association president Yuko Togawa, rightmost, poses with fellow CWGA members after the November CWGA Tournament held last Saturday at the Coral Ocean Resort in Agingan.

As for the course and weather, Togawa said the rain cleared but it resulted in a steamy day in the golf course. "The course felt very long."

She then dedicated her win in November to herself. "I realized how difficult it is to maintain a handicap. This time I want to

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Ramon surfs way to 1st place in Guam's Ripper Classic

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First place of the master's division in the Guahan Bodyboarder's Inc. Ripper Classic, the CNMI's Frank Ramon, poses on the podium with the second and third place winners during the awards ceremony last Sunday at the Boat Basin in Hagåtña, Guam.

By LEIGH GASES
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Veteran surfer Frank Ramon surfed his way to first place in the masters division of the Guahan Bodyboarder's Inc. Ripper Classic last weekend at the Boat Basin in Hagåtña, Guam.

The 49-year-old also won the Best Maneuver award. He was awarded the masters title with the highest score of 8.23 from the judges. Second was Carlo Dela Cruz who whipped up 7.77, while third went to Roman Dela Cruz at 7.26. Fourth was James Song with a score of 6.36.

In the semis, he collected 6.34 points, which was enough to earn him a spot in the finals.

He also joined the men's open division, but fell short in Round 1.

The operations manager at Skydive Saipan LLC said of his win, "Winning the masters category was overwhelmingly great to bring home something. I feel excited and grateful for the opportunity to compete in Guam."

He said, throughout his competitions, the conditions weren't very good. The waves, he said, were a "bit

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